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## NEW PIVOT

Quarterback Mike Reilly, seen here playing against the Edmonton Eskimos last season, is now an Eskie himself after being traded Thursday from the B.C. Lions. For more, see page 30. JOHN ULAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

# Tories OK'd donations: Town reps

**New report.** Chief electoral officer says Tories received \$20,280 in illegal donations in 2010-11; hits donors with \$7,060 in total penalties



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Leaders of the two municipalities named in a new report as having made the largest amount of illegal, "indirect" contributions to the Progressive Conservative party say party officials advised them at the time they were doing nothing wrong.

"The information we had at the time — from the party — was that we were doing things correctly," said Mayor Bill Robertson of the Town of Okotoks,

which was cited Thursday in a report from Alberta's chief electoral officer as having illegally contributed \$2,550 to the PC party in April 2010.

Those funds came in the form of six fundraiser tickets purchased for a "Premier's Dinner" in Calgary, the cost of which was later expensed to the town.

The party has since returned the money and the town has paid administrative penalties for violating the Election Act.

The Municipal District of Foothills was also penalized for four expensed tickets to the same dinner, at a cost of \$1,700, and the report states that the PC party was "advised to consider returning the contribution on a voluntary basis."

PC party president Jim McCormick has argued the party shouldn't have to repay such funds, however, because it ac-

cepted the money in good faith.

McCormick wasn't available for comment Thursday but stated publicly Wednesday that in cases like this, the PC party issued tax receipts to individuals and was unaware those individuals claimed expenses to prohibited entities such as municipalities.

Robertson, however, said party officials knew what was happening.

"They knew what was going and they were saying, 'Oh yeah, you can do it that way, because it's legal,'" he said. "And it turns out it wasn't legal."

Foothills Reeve Larry Spilak told a similar story.

"Absolutely, it was from the party," he said.

"The message that was sent to our council and our administration was that this was allowed and consequently we went ahead with it."

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Rise in fare

## Transit costs increase

Riding transit will cost you more beginning Friday.

The Edmonton Transit System cash fare will increase from \$3 to \$3.20.

Packs of 10 tickets will increase to \$24 for adults and \$21 for youth and seniors while an adult monthly pass will rise to \$89.

The new fares were set as part of the 2013 City of Edmonton budget process.

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Unfounded threats

## St. Vladimir school locked down

A school was locked down Thursday morning after a man in the school's parking lot told a staff member there could be an explosive device in his van.

Edmonton Catholic School District spokesperson Lori Nagy said staff reacted to the stressful situation appropriately. Students had participated in a practice lockdown the day before.

Police said the suspect was arrested and investigators found the threats made were unfounded.

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Of natural causes

## Officers investigate two deaths

Edmonton police officers were called to investigate after two men were found dead on Thursday morning in unrelated incidents.

Both cases were eventually deemed non-criminal in nature by police.

A man in his 30s was found in a vehicle at Mill Woods Town Centre by mall security.

A second man was found dead in an apartment at 105 Avenue and 101 Street. METRO

# Edmonton announces LRT names

What's in a name?

The Edmonton Transit Service hopes a lot, as it released five names for the city's current and proposed LRT lines that it hopes will help brand the city and keep people on the move.

Five lines crisscrossing the city were given the monikers Thursday. The current line running from Gorman all the way to a future Heritage Valley station will be called the Capital line. The currently under construction NAIT line will be called the Metro line and the proposed line from Mill Woods to downtown will

be known as the Valley line.

The two other unbuilt lines will be called the Energy line, running from Lewis Farms to Sherwood Park, and the Festival line will run from Sherwood park to Ellerslie.

The names came as a result of a competition, which brought in hundreds of suggestions that were then tested in market research.

The city said with the naming process they were seizing an opportunity.

"Few cities have an opportunity to step back and to seize the moment and really



Nathan Walters with the Edmonton Transit Service's marketing department announced the city's new names for LRT lines at an event Thursday.

RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

ask, 'what does this mean to us?,' said Nathan Walters

with Edmonton Transit. RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

# Council contenders get in the municipal race



Ward 6 candidate Heather MacKenzie announces outside city hall Thursday her intention to run in the next civic election. The election is almost nine months away. RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

## On your marks.

Election season begins as candidates announce plans to run

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While it might still feel like winter on the streets, election season has warmed up almost nine months before election day.

Heather MacKenzie, a current Edmonton School Board trustee, announced her plans Thursday to contest the Ward 6 council seat, currently held by Coun. Jane Batty.

MacKenzie said she wants Edmonton's core to be a vibrant place for young families benefiting the whole city.

"It has a positive ripple effect throughout our city and I think we can do more to enhance the vibrancy, the resiliency and the inclusiveness of our core," she

## Longer terms

Election day is set for Oct. 21, 2013.

- This year, the mayor and councillor positions will be elected for four-year terms, up from the current three.

said.

Andrew Knack finished second in 2010 behind Coun. Linda Sloan with more than 5,000 votes. He said his relatively high total shows there's an interest in change in Ward 1 where he is running.

"There was obviously a demand for some new representation and that is why I am running."

Knack said starting a campaign months in advance allows him to hear from residents and prepare.

"It is more just having that conversation and keeping municipal politics in people's mind," he said.

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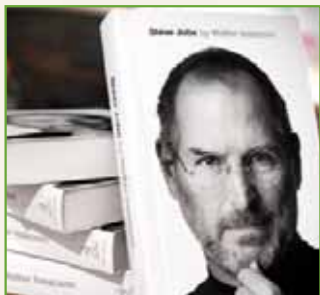


Ascent Showhome in McConachie

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# Days gone by at EPL

COMPILED BY HEATHER MCINTYRE



## People who make us laugh, cry, and think

An autobiography, memoir and authorized biography top the most popular adult non-fiction borrowed from the EPL in 2012: Bossypants (Tina Fey) was checked out and renewed 1,297 times, A Stolen Life: A Memoir (Jaycee Lee Dugard) 851 times, and Steve Jobs (Walter Isaacson) 844 times.



## Thirst for knowledge, hunger for trilogy

The young-adult dystopian adventure series by Suzanne Collins ranked as the first, third and fifth most popular teen books borrowed from the EPL in 2012. The Hunger Games was checked out and renewed 1,960 times, Catching Fire 1,589, and Mockingjay 1,276.

## FOOTNOTES

### Can't you see I'm reading?

# 12th

Fifty Shades of Grey was the 12th most popular adult fiction book taken out at the EPL, but it ranked first on the e-Book list with 868 checkouts and renewals.

### People's choice

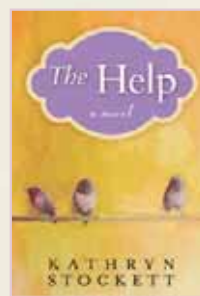
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The number of times The King's Speech was checked out and renewed, making it the most popular item at the EPL in 2012. That's up from the fifth-place in 2011.



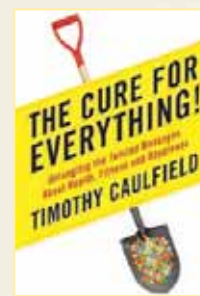
## Nothing beats a good thriller

This 2011 John Grisham novel was the top adult fiction book of the year, loaned out 1,937 times from EPL branches. It's about two lawyers who are looking to strike it rich with a lawsuit against a pharmaceutical company.



## Seen the movie? Read the book

Kathryn Stockett's novel, set during the civil rights movement of the 1960s, was borrowed 1,662 times from the EPL last year, ranking second most popular for adult fiction. It was tops in 2011 with 1,387 checkouts and renewals.



## Local writer's cure for what ails you

Edmonton-based health law professor Timothy A. Caulfield penned The Cure for Everything: Untangling the Twisted Messages about Health, Fitness and Happiness, and it was one of the most borrowed books in 2012, ranking 12th with 552 checkouts and renewals.

## FOOTNOTES

### Let's get physical! Digital!

# 3M

Edmontonians have access to more than 3 million items at the EPL, including 1,778,990 physical items and 1,780,000 digital resources.

### Rising popularity

# 158.7%

There was an increase in e-Book circulation of more than 150 per cent last year from the year before – from 90,903 in 2011 up to 235,185 in 2012.

# Items fly off shelves at library

## Biggest borrows.

Wide range of topics and interests evident on last year's Top 20



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Keeping shelves stocked at the Edmonton Public Library is quite a feat.

Not only does the library need to have books, DVDs, and magazines, they need to be the right ones at any given time.

That's where adult collections librarian Mary Bennett, essentially a buyer for EPL, comes in.

"There (are) definitely trends," said Bennett. "I noticed when Fifty Shades of Grey came out a lot of publishers started pushing similar kinds of books — right

down to having covers that were similar, even books in a trilogy that were more on the female erotica spectrum. And then also other authors who had written in that vein in the past were re-releasing their books, and I think the idea is they were just capitalizing on Fifty Shades of Grey."

An increased interest in that genre of fiction meant more of those types of books were ordered in 2012.

Overall, when it comes to dissecting the most popular items borrowed over the last year, it's a pretty basic formula: "Purchasing reflects publishing, and publishing reflects popularity," said Pam Ryan, director of EPL's Collection Management and Access Division.

Of course, the library isn't just about books.

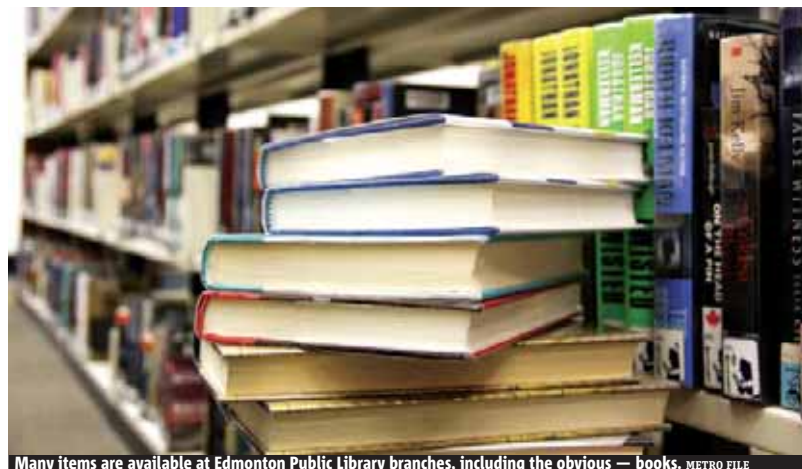
Thousands of TV series and movies on DVD, video games, CDs and audiobooks

## Got a hold on me

- The EPL does what they can to reduce waiting lists, with a ratio of one book (physical or digital) to every five holds.
- An IT report is done every two weeks, with alerts sent to buyers on what is needed.
- The EPL leases some books from a supplier in the U.S., sending them back (to be sold on the used book circuit) once their popularity has died down.

were checked out in 2012.

The most popular item was The King's Speech on DVD. But it's important to note that movies can only be loaned out for a week, while



Many items are available at Edmonton Public Library branches, including the obvious — books. METRO FILE

books can be borrowed for three.

Neither Bennett nor Ryan were surprised at any top items, noting any wildcard books or movies are general-

ly due to award nominations or local promotion.

"It ... shows what a variety of topics people are interested in," said Bennett. "There's Tina Fey, there's

Steve Jobs, there's debt, finances, introversion. I think it also shows that we just cover a wide range of topics for a wide range of interests."

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# African-American settlers important, but overlooked, part of Alberta history

**Black History Month.** Events help bring awareness to cultural significance of province's African and Caribbean communities

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Harsh climate, difficult soil and long, hard travel.

These were just a few of the descriptions the Canadian West immigration officials used to deter African-American settlers from coming to Alberta in the early 1900s.

"There was no legal or official prejudice, but there were lots of barriers that they faced when they tried to come," says Cheryl Foggo, a Calgary based author and playwright, who has done extensive research on Alberta's black history for several books and plays.

People of African descent had settled in Alberta as early as the 1870s, working for the Hudson Bay Company and Northwest Mounted Police. The most famous early black settler was John Ware, a rancher and cowboy, who was highly respected in southern Alberta ranching communities.

But their numbers were small, compared to the influx of African-Americans who would make their way up from the United States between 1905 and 1911.

Thousands of black immigrants, mostly from Oklahoma, settled largely in rural areas of central Alberta and Saskatchewan.

"It was quite remote, quite cold and difficult land," explains Tamara Palmer Seiler, professor emerita at the University of Calgary's department of communications and culture. "It was one of those immigration stories where people had to work very hard to clear the land. But they were able to create quite strong communities. It's a very interesting pioneer story."

A story partially blighted by shameful tactics used by the Canadian government to stop African-Americans from entering the country.

Monetary and health requirements were far stricter for black immigrants than for the British or Europeans.

"The money thing didn't work because they had the money," says Foggo. "The people who came here were quite well prepared ... They were strong, healthy and relatively well-off."

A few black communities, including Amber Valley and Keystone (now called Breton), thrived, yet many Albertans are unaware of this part of the province's history. And it's why recognizing Black History Month is still so important, says Yvette McFarlane, president of the Edmonton chapter of the National Black Coalition of Canada Society.

This is the 27th year the organization has put on events throughout the month of February, which is only a taste of the different African cultures present in the city.

"I think it is important for each country to continue to have their heritage for their children's sake," says McFarlane. "So that even through their children who are born here ... (they) can continue it



In this archive photo from Calgary's Glenbow Museum, circa 1921, a congregation and Sunday School class is seen outside a church in Edmonton.  
COURTESY GLENBOW MUSEUM

and know where their roots are coming from."

It's also a matter of getting other members of the community involved, she adds.

"My hope is that Edmonton would continue to recognize our culture and continue to give us this opportunity to have diversity and enhance the community."

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## Obstacles

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Tamara Palmer Seiler, professor emerita at the University of Calgary's department of communications and culture

## Strong community

**"The people who came here were quite well prepared ... They were strong, healthy and relatively well off."**

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## Heritage

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Yvette McFarlane, president of the Edmonton chapter of the National Black Coalition of Canada Society

## Event snapshot

Opening ceremonies were held Jan. 26 at West Edmonton Mall, followed the next day by a celebration brunch. But there is still much to do during February to celebrate Black History Month here in Edmonton.

- For a complete list of events, visit nbccedmonton.ca.

## 5 Artists 1 Love

- Feb. 2, 4-7 p.m., Art Gallery of Alberta
- The annual Black History Month art show, put on by local artist Darren Jordan, opens Saturday but runs until March 1.

## Gospel Concert

- Feb. 9, 7 p.m., Jubilee Auditorium
- Tickets to see the best gospel choirs in the city are available via Ticketmaster or any member of the NBCC executive for \$20.

## EPS Recruiting Consultation

- Feb. 15, 6 p.m., Garvey Cultural Centre
- City police will seek feedback from the community to inform and develop the organizational recommendations for a Diversity-Positive Recruiting Strategy.

## The Africa Centre Event

- Feb. 25, 12-4 p.m., The Africa Centre
- A showcase of speakers, public figures, and African music, dance and cuisine.

## Awards Banquet of Excellence

- March 16, 6 p.m., Chateau Louis Hotel & Conference Centre
- The Edmonton Chapter of the National Black Coalition of Canada Society recognizes excellence in the black community in business, academics and social outreach.

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**FOOTNOTES**  
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Before moving to Edmonton in 2006, I'd never heard the word "revitalize" outside of a personal-hygiene ad. Maybe I hadn't spent enough time in boardrooms, but I honestly thought "revitalization" is what happens when you use Brand X's lip balm.

Boy, was I wrong. In Edmonton this jargon was, like its dictionary definition, imbued with vitality and vigour, a household term flung at Alberta Avenue, Fort Road and the granddaddy of them all, the downtown arena.

Revitalization has permeated the arena debate so deeply that the City of Edmonton is banking on it to fund its share of the \$601-million project.

Using something called a Community Revitalization Levy, or CRL, it hopes to find much of its \$140-million cut by redirecting to the arena

### Quoted

**"The thinking is the arena will spur new development from which the city can collect. But it's speculative."**

property taxes on new projects within a large chunk of downtown, as well as any increases from existing property taxes.

The thinking is the arena will spur new development from which the city can collect. But it's speculative. For that reason the Alberta government requires CRLs to have a backup plan, and so the city is taking this risk into account as it fleshes out the framework of the finally approved deal.

Much has been said (screamed?) about the missing \$100 million the city and Katz Group hope the province — sorry, "other government," according to the official report — will find. But the CRL too is a gamble.

Take the previous examples: Alberta Avenue has had enviable turnaround since its 2005 initiative, but Fort Road's beautification couldn't even keep in business a motorhome/restaurant known for basketball-sized burgers.

Of course, the arena isn't a neighbourhood. It's a mega-project. And for an example of mega-project revitalizations at work, look no further than across the street from the arena's future home.

When it was built in the 1980s, they called it Eaton Centre, though you probably know it as City Centre.

The mixed-use complex was planned, halted, renegotiated and finally built with some public financing, intended to reinvigorate downtown, which had lost its swagger to suburban development.

But by 1992, developer Triple Five Corporation sold its shares for \$1 and Edmonton was left the real loser, according to Christopher Leo, a blogger and politics professor at the

University of Winnipeg.

Of course, the fact that we're still talking about revitalizing downtown is proof that this mega-project failed.

But downtown hasn't.

In the five years its taken to hammer out an arena design, risk-averse entrepreneurs have built the two tallest residential towers in the core, turned 124th Street into the hottest dining destination and added as many "licensed seats" (basically bar capacity) to Jasper Avenue as Whyte Avenue.

I'm not against a downtown arena. I'm for it, if at least to put our most prized possessions, the Edmonton Oilers, in a more prominent cabinet with the rest of the nice china. But if stakeholders want to call the arena a "catalyst" for downtown revitalization, they have to acknowledge that the small businesses behind these successes were catalysts long ago.

That prompts the question, is the arena really attracting new development or is it riding coattails?

## Southeast LRT. Design for new bridge proposed

City administration is recommending a striking new bridge across the River Valley to help the city's next LRT line make the crossing.

In a report going to the LRT governance board next week, administrators are recommending an extradosed bridge option to replace the existing Cloverdale pedestrian bridge and to take LRT cars into downtown.

The bridge would have a pedestrian section underneath and a tall main mast in the centre with cable coming off the mast and onto the bridge. It is estimated to cost \$45 million to \$65 million and still needs approval from the LRT governance board and city council.

The city is also recommending spending \$60 million this year to start on the project



An artist's rendering of the extradosed bridge across the River Valley that the city hopes will one day carry LRT cars across the North Saskatchewan River. CONTRIBUTED

that is still looking for provincial cash.

The money would be spent on relocating utilities and demolishing buildings that are in the project's path.

Coun. Amarjeet Sohi said going forward with that work will increase the chances the city will receive the \$600 million from the province and \$400 million from the federal

government that it's seeking.

"The work that is going to be proposed to be done will make this project shovel ready," he said.

The report going to the LRT governance board next week says that delaying the work one year would cost \$59 million to \$79 million.

Sohi said that alone is reason enough to push ahead,

### Details

- At a cost of \$1.8 billion, the south-to-east LRT line would take residents all the way from Mill Woods into downtown. Phase 2 of the project would continue that line through downtown and out to West Edmonton mall.
- The project is proposed as a public-private partnership, meaning a private firm would build and operate the line for the city.

using the \$800 million the city has allocated to the project.

"The more we delay the more it is going to cost us."

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# 5 notable black Albertans

Black History Month kicks off Friday with several events happening around the province. Metro looks at five notable Albertans of African heritage who have made significant contributions to the province's arts and culture.

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## 1 Jesse Lipscombe

As an entrepreneur, athlete, singer and actor, Lipscombe is known for many things.

Born and raised in Edmonton, the grandson of the late Edmonton Eskimo and CFL Hall of Famer Rolie Miles was a professional track athlete, but turned to acting and singing in the mid-'90s, which has resulted in work both locally and alongside Hollywood stars.

He is also the president and founder of PHAT Training Inc., a personal training and wellness company.



## 2 Darren Jordan

An advocate for black artists, Jordan, who moved to Canada from England in 1975, has become well known in Edmonton thanks to the annual 5 Artists 1 Love art show put on during Black History Month.

Now in its sixth year, the show features not only local artists, but those from around the province and with ties to the province.

Jordan's work often incorporates colour, as well as bold themes and images.



## 3 Janelle Cooper

Cooper relocated from Toronto to Calgary 12 years ago and got her BFA from the University of Calgary.

Unfortunately, significant roles for a black female actor were limited, so in 2009 she co-founded Ellipsis Tree Collective as a way to create artistic opportunities for visible minorities. Ellipsis is the only theatre company of its kind in Alberta.

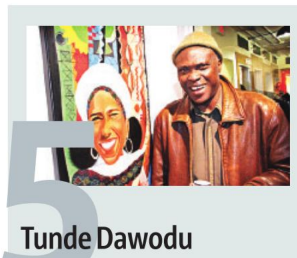


## 4 Suzette Mayr

A creative-writing professor at the University of Calgary, Mayr has authored four novels.

Her latest, Monoceros, won the W.O. Mitchell award and was a longlist nominee for the 2011 Scotiabank Giller Prize. Her debut novel, Moon Honey, was a finalist for the Writers Guild of Alberta's Best Novel and Best First Book awards.

Mayr was also a senior artist-in-residence with Calgary theatre company Theatre Junction during its 2006-07 season.



## 5 Tunde Dawodu

As one of the founding artistic directors of the annual Afrikadey! festival, Dawodu has spent years promoting African culture in Alberta.

Originally from Nigeria, he moved to Calgary in 1975 and produced his first big concert in 1991. He currently hosts the popular Oh Africa! program on CJSW and is one of the most recognizable names in the city's arts and music communities.

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## Consequences.

Senator faces calls for punishment after mocking Chief Spence



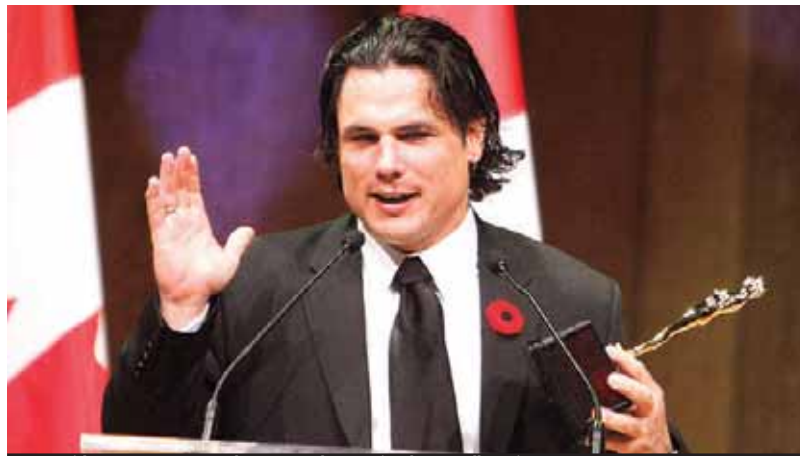
MORGAN MODJESKI  
Metro in Saskatoon

Some Idle No More organizers want repercussions for Sen. Patrick Brazeau after he made what they say are inappropriate comments about Attawapiskat Chief Theresa Spence at a Conservative fundraising event.

Brazeau referred to Spence's "so-called hunger strike" at a Legion hall in Ottawa and mocked her physical shape.

"I was sick two weeks ago," Brazeau said. "I had the flu and I lost five pounds. I look at Miss Spence, when she started her hunger strike, and now?" A voice then called out, "She's fatter," which drew laughter from much of the audience.

Erica Lee, one of the many organizers of the Idle No More movement, said although she's not surprised by the senator's remarks, she feels there should be consequences.



Sen. Patrick Brazeau accepts a Bad Sport Award at a National Press Gallery Dinner. FRED CHARTRAND/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

"It is frustrating, because he is a First Nations senator, and ... to have him make extremely racist and sexist comments towards Theresa Spence ... is very disheartening," said Lee.

She feels Brazeau's position should be reviewed and noted it may be too late for apologies.

Metro tried to reach Brazeau for comment, but phone calls to his office were not returned.

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## Response in the House

### Tories dodge controversy

The Conservative government defended its handling of aboriginal issues Thursday and sidestepped the disparaging comments made by two members of Stephen

Harper's caucus.

Neither Prime Minister Harper nor Aboriginal Affairs Minister John Duncan took an opportunity to condemn the comments. Instead, they emphasized the government's focus on creating jobs.

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## Tory MPs. Harper rebuffs effort to have abortions investigated as homicide

Prime Minister Stephen Harper says while some of his Conservative MPs may not agree, abortion is legal in Canada.

Harper made the comments under questioning in the House of Commons over a letter written by three Tory MPs who want the RCMP to investigate hundreds of abortions as possible homicides.

"I think all members of this house, whether they agree with it or not, understand that abortion is legal in Canada, and this government ... has made it very clear that the government does not intend to change the law," Harper said Thursday.

The MPs from Saskatchewan, Alberta and Ontario made the request on House of Commons letterhead to RCMP Commissioner Bob Paulson.

"From 2000 to 2009 in Canada, there were 491 abortions of 20 weeks gestation and greater that resulted in live births," reads the letter dated Jan. 23. "This means that the aborted child died after it was born."

The letter is signed by Maurice Vellacott of Saskatoon-Wanuskewin, Leon Benoit of Vegreville-Wainwright and Wladyslaw Lizon of Mississauga-East-Cooksville.

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## Diane-35

### Drug under review after French ban

Health Canada says it is reviewing all available information on the drug Diane-35 following France's decision to ban it following four deaths over the last 25 years.

The four women died of blood clots linked to their use of Diane-35, an acne drug

that is also widely prescribed "off-label" as a contraceptive.

Available since 1998 in Canada, Diane-35 is approved only for the temporary treatment of severe acne in women who are unresponsive to other treatments, Health Canada said Thursday.

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## Lawyer, CEO targeted. Shooter turns gun on himself after killings

A body found early Thursday among bushes in an Arizona suburb has been positively identified as the man who killed a company CEO and critically wounded a lawyer a day earlier, police said.

A landscaper found the body of Arthur Douglas Harmon, 70. He died of an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound, and a handgun was also found, police said. Nearby in a parking lot was a rented Kia Optima sedan he drove to the shooting scene on Wednesday, authorities said.

Harmon drew a gun and shot both men at the end of a mediation session Wednesday morning at an office building in north-central Phoenix, police said.

Steve Singer, 48, died hours later. Mark Hummels, 43, is in critical condition. A 32-year-old woman was also shot but suffered non-life-threatening injuries.

"We believe the two men were the targets. It was not a random shooting," said Sgt. Tommy Thompson, a Phoenix police spokesman.

Harmon also shot at some-

### Call-centre connection

One of the gunman's victims was the CEO of Fusion Contact Centers LLC.

- The gunman — Arthur Douglas Harmon — was hired by Fusion to refurbish office cubicles at two call centres in California.
- According to court documents, Harmon was scheduled to go to a law office in the building where the shooting took place for a settlement conference in a lawsuit he filed last April against Fusion.

one who tried to follow him to get his licence-plate number, authorities said.

"As he left the scene, an individual witness got in his own car and actually followed Harmon in his Optima, and he drove into a neighbourhood and Harmon actually got out of his car and shot at that witness," Thompson said. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

# Palestinians say UN report proves 'ethnic cleansing'

## Settlement policy. United Nations states Israel is undermining Palestinians' right to self-determination

The United Nations' first report on Israel's overall settlement policy describes it as a "creeping annexation" of territory that clearly violates the human rights of Palestinians, and calls for Israel to immediately stop such further construction.

The report's conclusions, revealed Thursday, are not legally binding, but they further inflame tensions between the UN Human Rights Council and Israel, and between Israel and the Palestinians. Israeli officials immediately denounced the report, while Palestinians pointed to it as "proof of Israel's policy of ethnic cleansing" and its desire to undermine the possibility of a Palestinian state.

The Palestinians also hinted that they could use the report as a basis for legal action toward a war crimes prosecution.



The West Bank Jewish settlement of Modiin Illit is seen in the background of this file photo. On Thursday, the United Nations' first report on the broad policy of Israeli settlements concluded that the Israeli government's practice of "creeping annexation" clearly violates the human rights of Palestinians, and called for an immediate halt. MAJDI MOHAMMED/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

In its report to the 47-nation council, a panel of investigators said Israel is violating international humanitarian law under the Fourth Geneva Convention, one of the treaties that establish the ground rules for what is considered

humane during wartime.

This was the first thematic report on Israel's settlements with an historical look at the government's policy since 1967, U.N. officials said.

Previous U.N. reports have taken a look at Israeli settle-

ment policy only through the lens of a specific event, such as the 2009 war in the Gaza Strip, when Israel launched an offensive in response to months of rocket fire by the ruling Hamas militant group.

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# Youth education the next step in avalanche safety

## Expanded services dependant on dollars.

Education in remote mountain communities a priority for CAC



MATT KIELTYKA  
Metro in Vancouver

Avalanche safety has come a long way since the lives of seven Calgary students were lost during an ill-fated field trip in British Columbia's backcountry 10 years ago today.

Fatality rates have stabilized in the face of increasing backcountry use, more people are getting properly trained and equipped before heading into the mountains, and public awareness is on the rise.

Those successes can be directly attributed to aggressive reform after the 2003 Connaught Creek avalanche, but the Canadian Avalanche Centre (CAC) is well aware more work could be done.

But that becomes a question of funding. And it's an unanswered question.

"It depends a lot on what people want us to do," said Karl Klassen, acting executive director of the CAC.

"If people are happy with our services the way they are, I think we're in good shape."

The CAC — which, among many other tasks, is responsible for public avalanche forecasting and sets the standards for public avalanche-training courses and equipment — has a projected budget of \$1.8 million this year.

Its federal funding enters the final year of a three-year cycle in 2014 and then it's back to the negotiating table.

Klassen doesn't think securing funding to maintain the CAC's status quo will be a problem, but some (both within the CAC and outside) are asking whether that level of service goes far enough.

"There have been a number of calls to expand services," Klassen said.

"For example, we don't do forecasts for the north Rockies. We're working on a project to see how we can go about it, but it will take more money."

Klassen sees the centre focusing on three pillars in the

## Ongoing process

## Parks Canada strives to stay ahead of curve

Parks Canada is always working to be at the forefront of avalanche safety.

Mountain-risk specialist Grant Statham says fine-tuning and tailoring of public alerts, bulletins and information is an ongoing process.

"I would say what you see in the public domain today — we're a year or two ahead of that," said Statham. "At least, I hope so. We're always looking at how to better communicate with people. We want them to be better educated, that's the most important thing."

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coming years: World-leading public avalanche information and bulletins, outreach and awareness programs and expanded youth education.

The third piece of that puzzle is perhaps the most critical going forward but is also underfunded.

"We'd love to expand youth education but we just don't have the resources for it," said Klassen. "There are many mountain communities, where avalanches are a fact of life, that just don't have much in the way of (avalanche) education."

He argues that children from kindergarten to Grade 8 in those communities must "be aware of the avalanche problem" and be taught skills that will serve them throughout life.

Even urban communities need greater youth education programs.

"Tons of people from Calgary go to the mountains every weekend," Klassen said. "(Education is) one of the cornerstones of what we should be doing, but unless we secure long-term additional funding we just can't do it."

It's an important decision that the CAC, and governments, will need to make over the next two years if Canada hopes to stay at the forefront of avalanche safety.



The role of instructors like Brent Hillier, pictured here at Seymour Provincial Park in B.C. on Jan. 20, is becoming crucial as the Canadian Avalanche Centre advocates for more  
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The Canadian Avalanche Centre says 7,000 people took an Avalanche Skills Training course last year. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO IN VANCOUVER

## Support group

Nearly 17 years ago, Beth Stewart got a phone call that no parent ever wants to get.

Her son Trevor Petersen, a legend in the world of extreme skiing, was killed at the height of his career in an avalanche in February 1996 in the mountains of Chamonix, France.

He was 34 and left behind his partner, Tanya, and his son, Kye, and daughter, Nève.

Petersen, the youngest of three, learned to love the

mountains at an early age from his brothers, Lindsay and Rick. He skied the most treacherous mountains in the world and graced the covers of many international magazines.

"I felt that my world had fallen in and I was lost after Trevor died," she says. "I missed his spirit, his love of life, of the mountains and his family."

Stewart spent two years undergoing therapy to deal with that loss and wondered

## Doing what he loved best

"He once said to me, 'Mom, if I should ever die doing this, know that I was exactly where I wanted to be, doing exactly what I wanted.' But we all miss him."

Beth Stewart, founder of Parents of Lost Skiers Society, remembering her son Trevor Petersen.

## By the numbers

# \$1.8M

The projected budget this year for the Canadian Avalanche Centre



# Justin Trudeau champions backcountry safety after loss

Justin Trudeau knows too well that an avalanche doesn't pause to ask a person's last name when it barrels down a mountain.

The Liberal leadership contender lost his youngest brother, Michel, when an avalanche swept him into B.C.'s Kokanee Lake while he was backcountry skiing in 1998. He was 23.

In the wake of the tragedy, Trudeau and his family became a force in raising awareness and funds for Canada's avalanche-safety organizations.

"We said, 'Please don't send flowers, send a donation to —' and then we tried to figure out what the Canadian avalanche community was," Trudeau said in a phone interview from Prince George. "They needed support, and I got involved."

Trudeau worked with the Canadian Avalanche Association to secure stable funding from the B.C., Alberta and federal governments and to build the Canadian Avalanche Centre until he entered politics in 2006.

"For me it was an opportunity to get to know this amazing sport and to get to know this world so well that my brother loved so much. It got me closer to him and his memory," he said. "There's just an amazing group of people committed to our extraordinary wilderness and playing safe within it."

It took the Strathcona-Tweedsmuir School accident, where seven children on an outdoor-education trip died in a slide near B.C.'s Rogers Pass, he said, to change public perception toward avalanche awareness. He credits ski patrols, scientists and the backcountry community for putting Canada at the forefront of avalanche



Justin Trudeau, pictured in Fernie, B.C., on Jan. 9, 2004, and his family have taken a leadership role in avalanche awareness since his younger brother, Michel, inset, died in a B.C. avalanche accident in 1998. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE; INSET: THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

safety in the decade since.

Now, he says, it's important to turn toward structured avalanche education.

"We have a generation of people who are out there who are all about getting more extreme, getting more active, getting involved," he said, adding that better equipment has

## Fundraising

"We said, 'Please don't send flowers, send a donation.'"

Justin Trudeau, on helping the Canadian Avalanche Association secure stable funding following the death of his brother, Michel.

made the backcountry more accessible. "They need to be a little bit more aware so they

can take smart risks."

No stranger to the backcountry himself — he lived and

taught snowboarding in Whistler in 1997 — Trudeau understands the draw and the pure feeling of "earning your turns."

"It's not about preventing people from going out there; it's about giving them the tools and the knowledge to make sure they're doing it safely."

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## helps parents grieve

what she could do to help others.

She got together with five other moms who had lost sons and daughters on the mountains and formed a group called Parents of Lost Skiers (POLS) in 1998.

"My intention was to carry on his method, his way and his love of others by helping them as they go on through life," Stewart says.

Since then, Stewart has gotten thousands of phone calls and emails from parents all over the world eager to ask questions on how she survived and dealt with her grief.

A couple from Texas visited Stewart more than a year ago at her home in West Vancouver. Their son died on Mount Seymour in B.C. a few years ago.

## POLS' mission

Parents of Lost Skiers' mission statement:

- "To help, encourage and support parents who have lost a child to the mountains and to support the safety and the education of young people who feel the call of the mountains."

"We had lunch and talked. We parted, and the husband came running to me and told me what POLS meant to them," Stewart says. "He told me his wife two weeks ago had everything ready to commit suicide. She didn't want to

live if she couldn't be with her son."

Stewart had sent an email to the woman earlier, encouraging her to go day-by-day.

"She confessed to her husband that she's thrown all the stuff away and decided not to go through with it," she says. "She decided if one person can do it, then maybe she can do it."

Stewart says everything she does is a tribute to her son, who died doing what he loved best.

"He once said to me, 'Mom, if I should ever die doing this, know that I was exactly where I wanted to be, doing exactly what I wanted,'" she says. "But we all miss him."

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Beth Stewart, one of the founders of Parents of Lost Skiers, lost her son Trevor Petersen in an avalanche in Chamonix, France, in 1996. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO IN VANCOUVER

# Alleged killer keeps cops at bay in standoff

**Underground bunker.** 'There's no reason to believe the child has been harmed,' sheriff says at news briefing

Speaking into a ventilation pipe, hostage negotiators tried to talk a man into releasing a five-year-old boy and ending a standoff at an underground bunker in rural Alabama that

stretched into its third day.

The man identified by multiple neighbours and witnesses as 65-year-old retired truck driver Jimmy Lee Dykes was accused of pulling the boy from a school bus on Tuesday and killing the driver. The man and boy were holed up in a small room on his property that authorities compared to tornado shelters common in the area.

James Arrington, police chief of the neighbouring town of Pinckard, said the shelter

was about four feet underground, with a ventilation pipe that negotiators were speaking through.

There were signs that the standoff could continue for some time: A state legislator said the shelter has electricity, food and TV. The police chief said the captor has been sleeping and told negotiators that he has spent long periods in the shelter before.

"He will have to give up sooner or later because (au-

thorities) are not leaving," Arrington said. "It's pretty small, but he's been known to stay in there eight days."

"He's crying for his parents," Midland City Mayor Virgil Skipper said.

The normally quiet road was teeming Thursday with more than a dozen police cars and trucks, a fire truck, a helicopter, media and at least one ambulance near Midland City, population 2,300.

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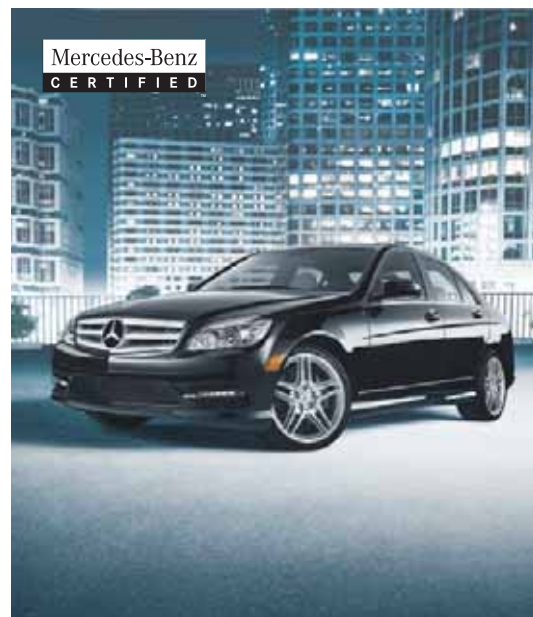
## Local hero

Authorities say the gunman boarded a stopped school bus Tuesday and demanded two boys between 6 and 8 years old. When the driver tried to block his way, the gunman shot him several times and took a 5-year-old boy off the bus.

• The bus driver, Charles Albert Poland Jr., 66,

was hailed by locals as a hero who gave his life to protect the 21 students aboard the bus.

• No motive has been discussed by investigators, but the police chief said the FBI had evidence suggesting it could be considered a hate crime.



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## For real this time

Beyoncé sings the U.S. anthem during a news conference on Thursday in New Orleans. The singer answered critics of her Inauguration Day performance the best way she could — with another sterling performance of the anthem. The difference? On Thursday, it was live. She admitted during her Super Bowl news conference that when she performed for President Barack Obama and the nation, she decided to sing to a prerecorded track because she hadn't had time to practise. She said she wanted the day to go off without a hitch. MATT SLOCUM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Blaer hitch. Icelandic teen wins bid to keep 'inappropriate' name

A 15-year-old Icelandic girl has been granted the legal right to use the name given to her by her mother, despite the opposition of authorities and Iceland's strict law on names.

Reykjavik District Court ruled on Thursday that the name Blaer can be used. It means light breeze.

The decision overturns an earlier rejection by Icelandic authorities who declared it was not a proper feminine name. Until now, Blaer Bjarkardottir

had been identified simply as Girl in communications with officials.

"I'm very happy," she said after the ruling. "I'm glad this is over. Now I expect I'll have to get new identity papers. Finally, I'll have the name Blaer in my passport."

Like a handful of other countries, including Germany and Denmark, Iceland has official rules about what a baby can be named.

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## Anderson Live

### Attack victim's treatment paid for

A Quebec woman who was disfigured in an acid attack will have her scars treated by laser surgery in the U.S. — thanks to Anderson Cooper's show. Tanya St-Arnaud appeared on Anderson Live on Wednesday.

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## Drug conversation

### Pocket-dial leads to man's arrest

Authorities say a 19-year-old Florida truck driver landed in jail after his cellphone pocket-dialled the police and dispatchers listened in on a conversation about the sale of drugs.

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## Retail pain. Sears lays off 700, Best Buy closes stores

Sears Canada announced Thursday it is laying off 700 workers across the country as part of a move to "right-size" the company and focus on restructuring its business.

The national retailer says 360 people are being laid off from its department stores and about 300 from its distribution centres. The remaining workers are being let go from head office and other support areas.

The job cuts will be across Canada.

Sears Canada has been revamping operations to encourage more customers to return to its stores after years of declining sales, and also to prepare for the entry of numerous U.S. retailers, including discount chain Target.

Earlier this month, Sears had announced it was teaming up with the Aldo Group to design and manufacture footwear lines for their Nevada, Attitude and Jessica brands.

Meanwhile, Best Buy Canada has closed eight Future Shop and seven Best Buy big-box stores across the country.

The company says as part of its "transformational plan" it will open Future Shop small-concept web stores and Best Buy Mobile locations across Canada in the next year and a half.

Some 900 employees will be laid off because of the closures, representing less than five per cent of Best Buy Canada's workforce, a spokeswoman said.

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# HMV tweets its match over mass firings

## Twitter outburst.

Verified account commandeered during layoff by music retailer

An employee apparently fired from music retailer HMV in the U.K. let loose on the company's Twitter feed Thursday, comparing the latest round of layoffs to a mass execution.

The rogue messages — which immediately attracted media attention — started with a missive saying "we're tweeting live from HR where we're all being fired! Exciting!!" "There are over 60 of us being fired at once! Mass execution, of loyal employees who love the brand," another message said.

The person's identity wasn't clear but the Twitter messages came from the company's verified account, suggesting an employee was responsible.

In a statement, Deloitte, HMV's administrator, said that there had been 190 layoffs, most of them at the company's head office.

"Although such decisions are always difficult, it is a necessary step in restructuring



HMV's official Twitter feed. The tweets were later deleted. SCREEN GRAB

## Canada's HMV unaffected by British company's woes

British music and entertainment giant HMV is scrambling to stay afloat amid stiff competition from online retailers and digital downloading services.

However, HMV Canada's

113 stores are not affected because Hilco UK, a specialist in restructuring retail businesses, bought the Canadian operations for about \$3.2 million in 2011.

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the business to enhance the prospects of securing its future as a going concern," Deloitte's Nick Edwards said in a statement.

Deloitte didn't immediately return a message seeking comment about the online outbursts, although it appears

that someone eventually took control of the account. The offending Twitter messages — including one which said "what have we to lose? It's been a pleasure folks!" — were deleted about an hour after they were first sent out.

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## BB shares keep sliding after debut

Shares in BlackBerry are down again, one day after the smartphone pioneer debuted new product offerings to generally positive reviews.

While the stock (TSX:RIM) was five per cent below Wednesday's closing price to \$13.16 in early afternoon trading, it was down 12 per cent earlier in the day.

The drop continues a loss in share value that began earlier this week ahead of the unveiling of the new BlackBerry Z10 and the BlackBerry Q10.

The Z10, a touchscreen model, will be available in Canadian stores next Tuesday, but not in the U.S. until March.

Analysts have noted the later release date for the U.S. market is exerting downward pressure on the stock.

The decline Monday and Tuesday was put down to profit-taking since BlackBerry shares had run up 50 per cent in January alone as of last Friday.

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## Snack pact

### Twinkies in investors' eyes

Hostess has picked a lead bidder for its famous Twinkies.

The bankrupt company said late Wednesday that it has selected a joint offer from two investment firms — C. Dean Metropoulos & Co. and Apollo Global Management LLC. Hostess says the two are teaming up on a \$410 million bid for the snack-cake business and five bakeries.

The "stalking horse" bid would set the floor for an auction process that lets competitors make better offers. A judge would have to approve any final sale. In an interview on CNBC Thursday morning, Hostess CEO Greg Rayburn said he expects the auction for the cakes to be "wild and woolly." Twinkies and other cakes could return to shelves during the back-to-school season, he said.

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## Whale ball of wax

### Beach find simply reeks of money

One very smelly sperm whale secretion may soon make one lucky British beachcomber a very happy man. Ken Wilman's dog discovered a soccer ball-sized piece of smelly rock on Morecambe beach in northern England. One Google search later and Wilman realized it was ambergris, a waxy byproduct of sperm whale digestion that can fetch large sums of money. He said he has been offered \$68,000 for the musky material.

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This combination of photos shows Budweiser beer in the aisles of Elite Beverages in Indianapolis, and Constellation Brands Corona beers displayed at a liquor store in Palo Alto, Calif. The U.S. Justice Department on Thursday filed a lawsuit to stop Anheuser-Busch InBev's proposed \$20.1 billion purchase of Mexican brewer Grupo Modelo. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILES

# This Corona's not for you, Bud – beer deal challenged

**Something's brewing.** U.S. justice department launches suit to prevent Anheuser-Busch from purchasing Mexican brewery

The U.S. Justice Department on Thursday filed a lawsuit to stop Anheuser-Busch InBev's proposed \$20.1 billion purchase of Mexican brewer Grupo Modelo, which would unite the ownership of popular beers like Budweiser and Corona.

The government said the

deal could lead to higher beer prices in this country because it would substantially reduce competition in the U.S. beer market, particularly in 26 metropolitan areas. It said the merged firm would control nearly half the beer sales in the U.S.

In response, Anheuser-Busch InBev promised a court fight to preserve its deal.

The Justice Department's lawsuit in federal court in Washington, D.C., seeks to prevent the merger and to continue competition between the firms.

Bill Baer, the assistant attorney general in charge of the department's antitrust division, says Anheuser-Busch InBev (ABI) would be able to increase beer prices to U.S. consumers if the merger were to go through.

ABI is the largest U.S. brewer and Modelo is the third and together, the two firms control about 46 per cent of annual sales in the U.S.

MillerCoors, the second-largest beer company, accounts for 29 per cent of nationwide sales.

## Bestsellers

Americans spent at least \$80 billion on beer last year. ABI's Bud Light is the bestselling beer in the U.S. and Modelo's Corona Extra is the bestselling import.

Anheuser-Busch InBev said the government's bid to block the proposed merger is inconsistent with the law, the facts and "the reality of the market place."

"We remain confident in our position, and we intend to vigorously contest the DOJ's action in federal court," ABI said.

According to court papers filed in the case, ABI acts as the industry price leader, with MillerCoors and other brewers typically joining the price increases set by ABI. Modelo, in contrast, has not joined.

By pricing aggressively, Modelo — through its importer, Crown Imports — puts pressure on ABI to maintain or lower prices.

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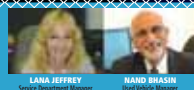
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**1** **Game of Thrones.** When Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands announced she would abdicate her throne in favour of her son, some expected Queen Elizabeth

to do the same, but Lizzie ain't budging. Prince Charles is 64 and has been in line for the throne since he was three, the longest wait in British history. Instead, poor Charles is relegated to the mundane tasks of travelling the world, eating at ridiculously over-priced restaurants, and watching the ballet.

**2** **Beam me up.** Russian astronauts aboard the International Space Station succeeded in transferring 400 megabytes of data to their ground station via laser communication channel for the first time in international practice. The breakthrough brings them one step closer to their eventual goal of downloading porn in space.

**3** **... and speaking of porn.** Adult-film star Ron Jeremy was left in critical condition this week following the discovery of a heart aneurysm that required surgery. I wish him the best and a speedy recovery, but I'm guessing the situation may have been brought on by repeated shifts in the flow of blood. Just sayin'.

**4** **Bowl busters.** Super Bowl Sunday is looming and there has been more talk of Beyoncé lip-syncing than football. My position on this is best illustrated in the words of Steve Martin, who co-starred with the singer in the film *The Pink Panther*, when he says, "Stop badgering her. Can't you see she's sexy!?"

**5** **Why-arton?** Groundhog Day is upon us once again. Obviously there is no better scientific system of climate prognostication than for a subterranean-dwelling rodent to tell us how many weeks are left of winter, but we wacky, unconventional types like to wing it with a crazy little instrument known to our ancestors as a CALENDAR.

**6** **Superstition.** This week in 1986, Diana Ross married Norwegian shipping magnate Arne Næss Jr. in Geneva. Stevie Wonder performed at the reception. The couple divorced in 2000, proving once again that Stevie's just bad luck.

**7** **Sexy brekkie.** Let's face it. Canadians love cereal. And sex. Not necessarily at the same time (and probably not in that order). Well, now Peter Ehrlich, a former columnist and radio host, has burst onto the breakfast market with Sexcereal. The tasty health food is sweeping the nation with gender-specific nutrients that also promote sexual health, but beware not to mix up the bags. I missed a half day of work because I couldn't decide which shoes to wear. Watch *Dragons' Den* on Feb. 10 to find out more.

**8** **Can't buy me love.** What would Valentine's Day be if you couldn't buy yourself a date? Shannon Hunter's third annual Love A Heart bachelor/bachelorette auction will once again raise money for The Heart and Stroke Foundation. The event takes place at The Hideout in Toronto on Feb. 14, but guests from all over Canada are expected. Bachelors include Toronto Raptors host Kat Stefankiewicz, CBC's George Stroumboulopoulos, and some fine-looking unknowns. Come by and shop, or just to pimp a friend.

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## The rainbow connection



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### Landscape photo

### Waterfall makes circular rainbow

This stunning image shows an almost full-circle rainbow at Victoria Falls. The amazing picture was taken by amateur photographer Nicole Cambré on the Zambian side of this impressive natural spectacle.

Cambré, a 42-year-old lawyer from Brussels, captured the shot from Livingstone Island, which is on the edge of the falls.

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### Photographer's viewpoint

"Capturing the rainbow over the falls was more challenging than I thought, especially with the spray. On Livingstone Island on top of the falls I finally managed to capture this full rainbow."

Nicole Cambré,  
amateur photographer

### Full-circle phenomenon

### The lower the sun, the higher the bow

It's very rare to see a full-circle rainbow as the bottom is usually blocked by one's horizon.

The sun's height determines how much of an arc you see; the lower the sun, the higher the top of the rainbow. Some rainbows continue even below the horizon. Mountain climbers see more of a full-circle, while pilots have reported seeing genuine full-circle rainbows. METRO

### Rainbow by moonlight

### Don't need sun to make a rainbow

Victoria Falls is also famous for its "moonbows," or lunar rainbows.

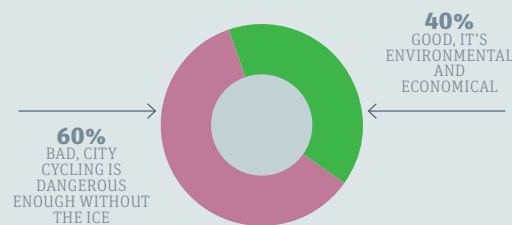
Moonlight shines on the water, and while it is hard for the human eye to detect it, the bow's colours will appear in long-exposure photographs.

The moonbows are rare because a number of conditions are required: the moon must be less than 42 degrees high in a very dark sky. METRO



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### Winter cycling — good idea or bad idea?



### Twitter

**@salimvalji:** Serious question: I wonder which would get more voters in #YEG: A Federal election, or (hypothetically) electing GM of the Edmonton Oilers?

**@wunderbar:** Oh good, snow. That'll make the drive home more fun. #yeg

**@theburgerfan:** What is the point in "Naming" LRT lines that won't exist for 20+ years? #yeg

**@santopantanamus:** Getting a solid 5 miles per gallon of window washer fluid. #yeg #abroads

**@ecgo:** I kinda prefer naming our LRT lines by colour like blue & green but that's just me. #yeg #yegtransit

**@SDemi\_:** Lip syncing to a very upbeat song and not realizing I'm starting to sing louder (somewhat) and moving my body. I'm in public. #yeg

# Emerging Edmonton Artists!

## Kira Hladun



Edmonton singer songwriter Kira Hladun has some big dreams. A recent graduate of MacEwan University, Kira's making a real name for herself in Western Canada's music scene. She released her second album "Something Like Love" in November at the Westbury Theatre in the Trans Alta Arts Barns.

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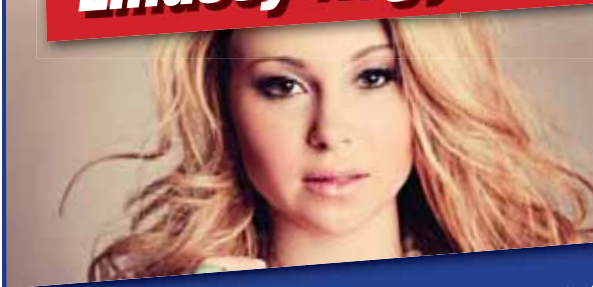
## Falklands

Falklands are a rough and tumble Edmonton band known from Vancouver to Halifax for their loud, hook laden rock 'n' roll. Falklands punk and power pop influences can be heard on their latest album "Cold Favour" which they released at the Wunderbar in Edmonton this past October.

[www.falklands.ca](http://www.falklands.ca)



## Lindsey Nagy



Edmonton singer songwriter Lindsey Nagy is getting her chance to shine. She released her much anticipated debut CD "Proud" in November at the Yellowhead Brewery in Edmonton. Lindsey is known as a versatile performer, captivating her audiences with a soulful R&B style.

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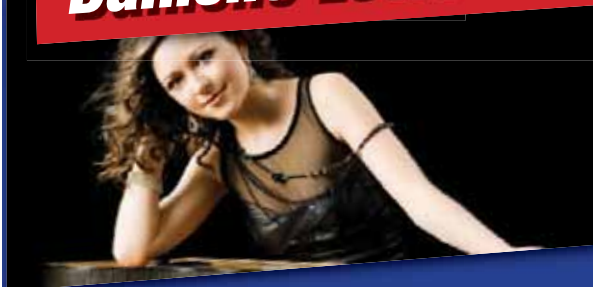
## Jeff Stuart & The Hearts

The latest release from Jeff Stuart & The Hearts, 'Equal Parts Reason And Moonlight' has been described by the Edmonton Journal as "one of the best albums of 2011, a sweeping, silver-screen mix of '60s psychedelic pop, folk-rock and atmospheric electronica with exquisite strings." The Hearts have been winning fans across the country, bringing strong musicianship and a healthy dollop of sonic experimentation to their live performances and have opened for the likes of fabled songwriter Ron Sexsmith.

[www.jeffstuart.com](http://www.jeffstuart.com)



## Danielle Lowe



Edmonton artist Danielle Lowe is one busy gal. This past August she released her latest single 'Patient' for which she's also done a music video. Voted Female Artist Of The Year at the 2012 Alberta Country Music Awards, Danielle keeps up a busy performance schedule. She performed at the Canadian Finals Rodeo in November and in London, England on December 1.

[www.daniellelowe.com](http://www.daniellelowe.com)

## Ten Second Epic

This past year has been an eventful one for Edmonton band Ten Second Epic. They released their fourth full-length album 'Better Off' in September of 2011 and performed at the Edmonton Oilers home opener the following month. Since then the band has been touring relentlessly, playing countless shows in Canada, the U.S., England and Japan.

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A pair of glasses marks the entrance to the cornfield in Clear Lake, Iowa, where Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and The Big Bopper died in a plane crash on Feb. 3, 1959. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Reel Guys

RICHARD  
CROUSE AND  
MARK BRESLIN



# The day the music died

**Feb. 3, 1959.** The Reel Guys remember Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and The Big Bopper with movie picks that pay tribute to their legacies

**Richard:** Mark, Buddy Holly was arguably the biggest star of the three musicians, so it's no surprise that he pops up in the most movies. Gary Busey is the most famous of the Holly impersonators, having been nominated for an Oscar for The Buddy Holly Story, but others have also donned the black rims to good effect. An unknown actor named Guy Kent raved on in a surreal retelling of Buddy's life called The Day the Music Died. Less successful was Frankie Muniz who should have been (Peggy) sued for his performance in Walk Hard: The Dewey Cox Story.

**Mark:** Buddy Holly was surely the genius of the three. And I

think The Buddy Holly Story did him justice. It was Gary Busey's last significant lead, and I think it's ironic that the madman actor played one of the few levelheaded stars of rock 'n' roll. La Bamba is a step down in rock biopics. Valens only had a nine-month career, and you can feel the story padding in the film. But worst of all was the sentimental ending with his brother blubbering on about the loss. Again, it was Lou Diamond Phillips' last significant lead before he became the straight-to-video champ.

**RC:** He may not be the biggest box office draw, but anyone who watched Celebrity Cook Off knows he's a helluva chef. I regard his homemade Wild Turkey Bourbon Barbecue Sauce as highly as his work in Young Guns or Stand and Deliver. But back to the movies. I liked La Bamba more than you, even though Phillips was way too old to play the 18-year-old singer. Most of it is Hollywood hokum, but the

music by Los Lobos is good! Maybe you'd enjoy Lives and Deaths of the Poets more. It's a collection of short skits about famous writers and musicians, including Valens.

**MB:** You'll notice no one is rushing to make The Big Bopper biopic. But here's a guy who would have been a footnote in rock history except that he got on that ill-fated plane, forever linking him in our minds with the great Buddy Holly. Bad life choice for the Bopper, but ultimately a good career move.

**RC:** I think his life would make a good movie. He was a colourful character — a singer, a flamboyant DJ who wrote some big hits for other people. If they can make a film about payola king Alan Freed they could certainly find enough material for a Big Bopper biopic.

**MB:** I suspect the Freed movie, American Hot Wax, was as much about the art-

Synopsis

For music fans of a certain age, Feb. 3 is a day to observe a moment of silence. Known as the day the music died, it's the day, in 1959, when a small plane crashed outside Clear Lake, Iowa, killing rock 'n' rollers Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and JP "The Big Bopper" Richardson.

Fair's fair

"If they can make a film about payola king Alan Freed they could certainly find enough material for a Big Bopper biopic."

Richard Crouse

ists that revolved around him as Freed himself. Not a half-bad movie either.

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## Romantic Comedy



## Warm Bodies

Director: Jonathan Levine

Stars: Nicholas Hoult, Teresa Palmer

Warm Bodies doesn't stink nearly as much as I imagine its leading character would. A rom-com set in an apocalyptic near-future ruled by rambling rotten corpses, the film focuses on a love-lorn zombie crushing on a gorgeous living girl. Basically a spin on Romeo and Juliet (if Romeo were dead, that is), the comedy has youthful quirk and charm, but its modesty will likely aggravate purists looking for cinematic zombie gore.

STEVE GOW

## Zombies vs. vampires

"I understand parallels have been drawn because there's a mystical element to the relationships in both of these films. I think tonally it's very different — Warm Bodies to Twilight. There's a lot of comedy, we don't take ourselves too seriously. But having said that, we of course embrace comparisons in a sense because Twilight is a hugely successful franchise and if we can find half the audience that Twilight has I think we'd be very happy."

Teresa Palmer, during a recent interview in Toronto, when asked if people would compare Warm Bodies to Twilight

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Jason Bateman is getting used to playing the straight-man role in comedy projects. HANDOUT

# Jason Bateman puts on a familiar Identity

**Interview.** Arrested Development star talks about the move to Netflix and his new comedy project Identity Thief

## Belly laughs

"Craig wrote a script that didn't need any ad-libbing whatsoever to make it funny, and so we didn't do a lot of that."

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Jason Bateman  
Talking about his time on Identity Thief.

Being the straight man in a comedy can be a thankless job, but Jason Bateman has no problem with that. His latest, Identity Thief, finds him taking on Melissa McCarthy's titular con woman. Plus, this spring he gets to reprise his best-loved straight man role, as put-upon Michael Bluth in Arrested Development, when the cult hit returns with new episodes on Netflix. Still, if you've got a more outlandish comedy role in mind, he's willing to listen.

**Do you find it at all insulting to be asked how hard it is to keep a straight face opposite someone like Melissa McCarthy?**

No, actually, I've never taken it that way. That's tough to do, and I fail miserably at it repeatedly, especially with Melissa. You've just got to have the camera on her alone so that when I start laughing you don't see my shoulders bouncing up and down in the foreground.

**You've made quite a career of playing the straight man, but have you been looking for parts beyond that type?**

Yeah, I mean I would enjoy doing that. Send them. I'll read them and do them. But I

get most of my opportunities doing what people have seen me do before, and I don't think that's too dissimilar from most actors. You kind of get offered what people expect to see you in. So it's up to me to start to steer the ship in another direction if I want some changes. And I do, every once in a while. That was one of the things that really attracted me to a film I did with Ryan Reynolds called the Change-Up. It didn't really work at the box office or critically, but we had a really good time doing it.

**Was it Melissa or writer Craig Mazin who kept adding in jokes about you having mangled junk in Identity Thief?**

Well, Craig's pretty filthy. Craig wrote a script that didn't need any ad-libbing whatsoever to make it funny, and so we didn't do a lot of that. We would every once in a while make stuff up to crack each other up and make the crew laugh, but this isn't one of those movies where it's, 'Boy, thank God those actors improvised because otherwise it wouldn't be funny.' Craig Mazin did a really, really

good job.

**So he's the one obsessed with you having messed-up junk?**

He loves my junk. Or he loves my messed-up junk. He wants bad things to happen to it because I won't give it to him.

**True or false: You are the only Bluth family member to appear in each of the new episodes of Arrested Development.**

I believe that is true. I haven't seen them, he's still editing them, but that was the goal when Mitch (Hurwitz) and I talked about these episodes early on. There was a question as to whether the finances or the scheduling would allow for all of us to be in every episode, and I said, 'Whatever it takes schedule-wise or finance-wise, I'm your guy.' So we worked it out and we just made sure that I was done with all of my duties before I had to go off and do something else.

**Any word on returning guest stars?**

I think Mitch has already said that a few people are coming back. I think he's mentioned Carl Weathers and Henry Winkler and ... who else did he mention? James Lipton and Andy Richter. There's many more. And then his ideas for the movie are just insane. So hopefully Act II and Act III will happen, which is the movie. I can't wait to see what he does with all this footage. We still have a little bit of additional stuff to do. I work one more day on it in a week or two.



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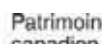
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# Affleck's *Argo* goes from long shot to Oscar favourite

**Movies.** *Argo* to compete with two other pieces from American history: *Lincoln* and *Zero Dark Thirty*

Some years, Academy Awards voters just want to feel right about themselves, their industry, their country. And maybe honour one of their own who hasn't always shared in the love of his peers.

That could explain why Ben Affleck's *Argo* has gone from best-picture long shot to Oscar favourite over such competitors as Steven Spielberg's stately but talky Civil War portrait *Lincoln* or Kathryn Bigelow's brilliant yet contentious CIA thriller *Zero Dark Thirty*.

*Argo* is a feel-good thrill ride that's patriotic enough to warrant a good "USA! USA!" chant as the credits roll. It's all about how Hollywood helped save some lives. And a best-picture win could be viewed as righting a wrong after Affleck inexplicably missed out on a best-director nomination.

"There's a surge to embrace Ben Affleck in the aftermath of his Oscar snub. It seems like such an outrage that his film is benefiting from it as a result," said Tom O'Neil, who runs the awards website GoldDerby.com. "It really is a pro-*Argo* movement more than it is a kind of shrug off of *Lincoln* or a disparagement of *Zero Dark Thirty*. Hollywood is rallying around one of their wounded own."

*Argo* is one of three true-life best-picture nominees steeped

in different eras of U.S. history. Spielberg's *Lincoln*, which leads the Oscars with 12 nominations and looked like the front-runner until *Argo* began winning top honours at other awards shows, is a towering study of Abraham Lincoln as he manoeuvres to end the war and pass the 13th Amendment abolishing slavery. *Argo* tells of a little-known victory amid an otherwise enervating chapter in American foreign affairs during the Iran hostage crisis. Bigelow's *Zero Dark Thirty* is a sombre story of this last dark decade as the CIA builds leads that result in the Navy SEALs raid that killed Osama bin Laden.

In their way, all three are stories of American triumph, but told with wildly divergent tones. *Lincoln* is a saga of hope amid national tragedy, meticulously researched but a little emotionally remote because of its attention to Washington deal-making, 1860s-style. *Zero Dark Thirty* is a bleak tale of uncertain patriotism, also meticulously researched but at times more than a little emotionally repugnant because of the questionable means it depicts in a righteous cause. *Argo* is the one that turns triumph into an end-zone dance. Affleck has taken knocks in the past over his acting, but in only his third film as director, he shows complete mastery of populist movie-making. He gives viewers great drama, great laughs, agonizing tension and an exultant finale, all while playing loose with the facts in a way audiences can forgive in the name of a terrific piece of entertainment.

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## History

### Dressing it up

As Iranian militants stormed the U.S. embassy, where they held 52 people hostage for 444 days, six Americans escaped and took refuge with Canadian diplomats. CIA rescue specialist Tony Mendez, played by Affleck, organized a daring plot to get them out disguised as crew members of a fake sci-fi movie scouting locations in Iran.

Their unlikely escape by an outrageous scheme is a ray-of-sunshine footnote in the hostage story, a side story obscure enough that filmmakers could tweak it for all it's worth in a way that would never work with such well-known narratives as *Lincoln*'s final days or the bin Laden raid.

That white-knuckle takeoff at the Tehran airport, with Iranian assault teams racing behind the jet down the runway? Never happened. In Antonio Mendez and Matt Baglio's book *Argo: How the CIA and Hollywood Pulled Off the Most Audacious Rescue in History*, the six Americans' passage through the Tehran airport and onto the plane was uneventful. The takeoff and two-hour flight out of Iranian airspace is told in just four sentences.

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# Super Bowl colliding with Mardi Gras vibe makes for a big party

**Music.** Numerous parties, concerts and events make festivities around the big game as much of an attraction as anything

The entertainment leading up to the Super Bowl is so A-list, Beyoncé may not even have the most anticipated performance surrounding the big game. Justin Timberlake is due to give his first major musical performance in years. Stevie Wonder is performing for the masses at an outdoor concert. Cee Lo Green is reuniting with his old hip-hop clique, Goodie Mob, and Rascal Flatts is teaming up with Journey for a concert. Those represent only a fraction of the all-star events to celebrate the Super Bowl.

"The Super Bowl has become such a big event in itself. So many people come from everywhere, looking to not only be a part of the Super



Justin Timberlake returns to the stage at the Super Bowl for the first time in years. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Exclusive event

Perhaps the most hotly anticipated event features Timberlake.

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Bowl but also the festivities

leading up to the game," said Cee Lo, who is performing at ESPN's Next event. "There's so much to do, from parties, concerts and events."

Lil Wayne is throwing a major bash in his hometown, Jay-Z is holding court at another event the evening before his wife, Beyoncé, performs at halftime, and Jamie Foxx is due to give a private concert.

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## Homicidal mallards and those singing falsetto



**SOUND CHECK**  
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Two of these tracks are from the where-have-you-been pile. The other track, well, it involves a duck.

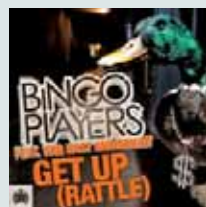


### No Freedom/ Dido

Ms. Cloud de Bouneville O'Malley Armstrong returns after a five year absence with *Girl Who Got Away*. The co-writer on this song has worked with everyone from Madonna to Weezer.

### One Way Trigger/The Strokes

This isn't the first single from the forthcoming fifth album from the Strokes, but if you've ever wanted Julian Casablancas to sing in a falsetto, this is for you.



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Dave Grohl's *Sound City* takes a colourful look at a piece of music history. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## The secret behind Nevermind

**Movie.** Dave Grohl's movie, *Sound City*, takes a particular interest in the studio where Nirvana found their break

Rock musician Dave Grohl set out to make a recording studio the subject of his first-ever film. He was intrigued not only by the studio but by a specific piece of recording equipment — a 1970s era sound board — that captured every note of music made there.

Geek city, right? It sounds like an idea any sane moviegoer would run from. Instead, *Sound City* offers a colourful piece of music history, a candid examination of changes wrought by technology and a defiant statement about not surrendering the human element in creativity. Grohl's rookie film, which made it to the Sundance movie festival, is being released theatrically Friday and is accompanied by an album featuring artists he interviewed.

"It honestly was more like a keg party with a camera than making a Hollywood film," he said.

Grohl knew nothing about

the *Sound City* studio in Van Nuys, Calif., when he and fellow Nirvana members Kurt Cobain and Krist Novoselic booked a session to make *Nevermind* in 1991. Their California record company wanted Nirvana nearby to keep an eye on them and time at *Sound City* was cheap.

It was in a nondescript neighbourhood and looked like a dump, with tired shag carpeting. Then Nirvana noticed all the gold records on the wall from artists who had recorded there: Fleetwood Mac, Tom Petty, Van Halen, REO Speedwagon, Guns 'n Roses, Neil Young, Cheap Trick, Slayer, Rick Springfield and more.

After plugging in their instruments and running through *In Bloom*, Grohl and his mates discovered why. The sound, to their ears, was amazing. Nirvana had never been captured with such clarity and power before.

"You might have never heard of Nirvana if we had recorded in Hollywood with a fancy producer who made us sound like Def Leppard," he said. "The fact that that (sound) board made us sound like us is what people appreciated. To be reunited with it, honestly, it was like meeting your real parents for the first time."

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### The end

## We'll finally know how he met your mother

CBS says the big reveal is coming for *How I Met Your Mother*.

The network said Wednesday the sitcom will air its ninth and final season next fall.

And CBS Entertainment President Nina Tassler

promised that TV's "most mysterious mother" will be unveiled as the show wraps up.

That would be the mystery woman with whom Ted, played by Josh Radnor, ultimately has a family.

The sitcom's cast also includes Neil Patrick Harris, Cobie Smulders, Jason Segel and Alyson Hannigan.

20th Century Fox Television says all the actors will return for the 2013-14 season. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



The cast of *How I Met Your Mother*, which includes Neil Patrick Harris and Cobie Smulders, will say goodbye after the show's ninth season. HANDOUT

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# Cast of 30 Rock faced a tearful ending as series comes to a close



Jane Krakowski won't be stealing anything from the 30 Rock set. GETTY IMAGES

**Finale.** Jane Krakowski talks to Metro about the final episode and saying goodbye

**MEREDITH ENGEL**

Metro World News in New York

When we met up with Jane Krakowski at a Bank of America event over the holidays, the star — who plays the excitable Jenna Maroney on 30 Rock — had just four days of filming left on the NBC sitcom. She filled us in on those final days on set.

**Her final table read wasn't easy**

It was tearful. Everyone was a little choked up because we actually acknowledge the show within the show ending, so it kind of brought it all home for us. We'd kind of been living like, 'Yeah, I guess it's gonna end in a few episodes,' and suddenly we're here. But I think the writers did a great job finishing the characters the way you want them to, and, of course, in true 30 Rock wacky

style.

**Could her character get any wackier?**

(Laughs) I don't know if that's even possible, but I am going to miss playing her. I mean, she's so over-the-top and high above the line of reality. I'm gonna miss it.

**Why ending the show is so bittersweet**

I think it's a mixed bag of emotions. I'm excited to see what's next. I'm going to miss everybody terribly. It's just been such a great group of people, and I think that everyone on the show knows that this is as good as it gets. I think we're all really proud of what we made and that we've made it on the air this long — it's a lot longer than we expected.

**What she's taking from the set**

It's funny, because of course you want to have some memento of the seven years — but I like to say stealing is a crime and I will not be partaking in any of that. There are numerous Jenna posters I

could take, but I don't really need those in my home — large pictures of myself. I think Tina's taking the sign that says The Girlie Show before it was named TGS that Jenna destroyed by throwing something at, so it's kind of broken and she's taking it as it is. I don't know. I'll certainly take away all my good memories.

**Why Ice-T popped up in the finale**

There is a Law & Order reference. I think he plays his Law & Order character. Coco was there — I think Coco's always with him. They're a sweet couple. Everyone on the set was very excited that Coco came, too.

**How she's saying goodbye**

It's going to be hard. There's about 300 people who work on our show, and so to say goodbye to each and every one of them — there will be days when you're walking on set and pass someone and you get really emotional. You think, 'Oh, I didn't realize, I'm gonna miss that guy' — those people that you see every single day.

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# Big break leads producer to fun.

**Music.** Jeff Bhasker is nominated for four Grammy Awards for fun.'s sophomore release, *Some Nights*

When music producer Jeff Bhasker — the mastermind behind fun.'s breakthrough — had thoughts of becoming

a musician, the high school student in the jazz band figured he would play keyboard for a talented singer looking to carve a space in the musical universe.

"In the jazz world you become a side man, say with like Miles Davis. You become Miles Davis' keyboard player and then you learn from Miles, and then you have your own group," he explained.

The eager musician was

hoping to have a breakthrough like Herbie Hancock did with Davis. And Bhasker did — but with Kanye West.

The Berklee College of Music graduate began playing piano for the multi-platinum rapper in 2008. And then he became West's musical director. And then the two went into the recording studio.

"I learned so much from being around that moment and grabbing on to the rock-

et. It happened really fast," said Bhasker, who produced several tracks on West's albums, 808's & Heartbreak and *My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy*.

And in between those West records, Bhasker's name — and drum-filled sound — popped up on credible liner notes: He produced for Alicia Keys. And Jay-Z. And Beyoncé. And Bruno Mars.

And now the producer is

really having fun — thanks to the band, fun.

Crafting anthemic jams like *We Are Young* and *Some Nights* for the New York-based trio — who released their underwhelming debut in 2009 — not only made fun. a household name, it made Bhasker even bigger. Now the hitmaker is nominated for four Grammy Awards, including non-classical producer of the year and album of the year for helping all 11 tracks on fun.'s sophomore release, *Some Nights*.

"First and foremost, it's about hearing for him. He's not out to make a quick buck," said Nate Ruess, the lead singer of fun. "You meet a lot of producers, especially in the pop world, where they don't have any emotional attachment to the music. I've even sat in, like, writing sessions with people where it's just lifeless, and Jeff is the exact opposite. He brings emotion. He only wants to do things that move him."

The Grammys stage isn't unfamiliar to Bhasker — he's already won two trophies for his best rap song in 2009 and 2011 for co-writing Jay-Z's *Run This Town* and West's *All of the Lights*. This year, he's also nominated for record and song of the year for his work on fun.'s No. 1 hit *We*

Are Young. The band earned six nominations — including best new artist — and are tied for most nominations at the Feb. 10 awards show.

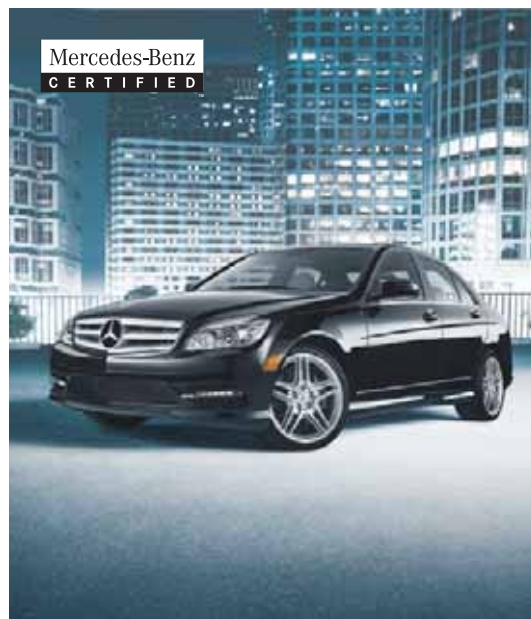
"The whole time we were making the album I really, every day I was saying, 'We're making album of the year,'" Bhasker said of producing *Some Nights*.

Ruess said he recruited Bhasker to executive produce his band's entire album because of the producer's impressive resumé and style. Bhasker helped usher in West's Auto-Tune-flavoured, melodic and synth-pop sound in 2008, co-producing songs like *Love Lockdown* and *Paranoid*. Months after fun. released its album, Taylor Swift worked with Bhasker on two songs for her bestselling *Red* album, which takes the singer even further from her country roots to pop domination.

Oh, and the Rolling Stones called Bhasker, too.

"It's so tricky because you don't want to mess with the Rolling Stones and the essence of what they do," said Bhasker, who produced "radio mixes" of the band's new jams, *Doom and Gloom* and *One More Shot*. "But I tried to bring a little bit of a contemporary twist to it."

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Jeff Bhasker started off as Kanye West's musical director. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Lindsay Lohan ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

## Lo and behold, Lindsay makes it to court

Lindsay Lohan wasn't too sick to fly after all. Despite reportedly being too under the weather to make it from New York back to L.A. this week for a Wednesday court date, the troubled actress showed up after all, wearing a little black dress and Louboutin heels, according to the Associated Press. "I'm glad to see you're feeling

better," Judge Stephanie Sautner told Lohan at the hearing. Lohan pleaded not guilty to three misdemeanor counts stemming from a car crash last summer. If found guilty, she could face 245 days in jail because of probation violations. "She's on probation," Sautner said at the hearing. "The condition is that she obey all laws."



Charlie Sheen

## Sheen still on starlet's side

At least Charlie Sheen isn't worried about Lindsay Lohan's legal troubles.

"She's terrific," he tells Jay Leno in an interview. "I mean she's going through a lot of stuff, but she's smart and super-talented and will come out on top eventually,

you know."

As for the \$100,000 Sheen loaned the troubled actress — money she reportedly put toward her massive tax bill — Sheen says, "I didn't know it was for taxes. If I had known that, I'd have given her half, you know."

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### The Word



## Mayer more comfortable in front of the cameras

John Mayer is definitely mellowing when it comes to dealing with paparazzi.

"The way that the media plays a part in everyone's life has changed over the last several years," he tells

RollingStone.com. "I mean, I used to be incredibly put off by somebody taking a picture, thinking as if in some way it was invading my brain. But all it is, is you can see where I was last weekend. That's all. And I think time has shown that nothing will be stolen from you. It's just a photograph of you and your dumb scarf that you put on because it wouldn't fit in your suitcase. Cool."

METRO WORLD NEWS



Jennifer Lawrence

## Tip for Jennifer Lawrence: no more shopping trips now that you're famous

Oscar-nominee Jennifer Lawrence recently told Metro that her Silver Linings Playbook co-star Bradley Cooper had taught her that she can't go to the grocery store anymore now that she's famous.

"It's fine, I can get friends to get my groceries," she said last month.

But apparently Lawrence thought the height of awards season was a good time to try again, as she was spotted this week at a Los Angeles supermarket, buying groceries incognito under a large purple hat and a massive scarf, according to photo agency X-17.

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@NicholasHoult

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## Liquid Assets

Wash down  
game snacks

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When it comes to pairing liquids with solids, wine has the edge over its boozy competition. After all, you're not going to wash down haute cuisine with a brewski. Right?

It really depends on where you are.

In wine engaged cultures (like Italy), culinary artists evolved their industry in parallel with their compatriots in nearby vineyards. So, it makes sense that locals reach for vino when they put on the feed bag. Countries like the United Kingdom — where wine production is nearly non-existent — have a closer affinity to beer, which makes a good brew their dinner table mate.

Since the Super Bowl is this Sunday, I'm betting most of you will be serving pub-inspired fare and drinking like the Brits as you watch the game.

Not that you can't serve wine (think something white and off dry). It's just that aggressively flavoured finger food, the likes of Buffalo Chicken Tenders, calls for something thirst-quenching. While a crisp Euro or Canadian lager fits the bill, I prefer medium-bodied, lightly malted ales like Newcastle Brown Ale (500 ml, \$2.90 to \$3.49) from England's north east.

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Bite into lighter side  
of Super Bowl stapleBuffalo Chicken  
Tenders. Put aside the  
deep fryer and pop  
these crunchy snacks  
into the oven

The key food groups of Super Bowl are meat and melted cheese, preferably deep-fried. Buffalo-style chicken wings and chicken nuggets are just the sort of deep-fried deliciousness we're talking about. And this recipe marries the two, incredibly, in a way that satisfies the soul and keeps blood whistling through the old arteries.

The chicken is luxuriated in a buttermilk bath for several hours, after which it is coated with a mixture of breadcrumbs and panko (for extra crunch), and baked in the oven.

It's not quite as crispy as a deep-fried version, but it is nonetheless ridiculous-

ly flavourful. This effect is achieved by adding a blue cheese dipping sauce, which borrows one of the trademark ingredients of Buffalo chicken wings. Traditionally, wings are tossed in a mix of hot sauce and butter after they come out of hot oil. But you don't want to sog up your finished product, so dip the finished baked tenders, first in the hot sauce then in the blue cheese. This combo is a touchdown.

**1.** In bowl, combine garlic, salt, 2 tablespoons of hot sauce and 2 cups of the buttermilk. Whisk until salt dissolves. Add chicken tenders and stir to coat well with the marinade. Cover and refrigerate for at least 2 hours and up to 10 hours.

**2.** When ready to cook, heat oven to 425 F. Line baking sheet with parchment paper and spray it with olive oil cooking spray.

**3.** In shallow bowl combine whole-wheat and panko breadcrumbs. In another small bowl, whisk remaining 6 tablespoons of buttermilk, the mayonnaise, blue cheese and lemon juice. Transfer to ramekin for dipping. Pour remaining 1/4 cup of hot sauce into a second ramekin for dipping.

**4.** Use colander to drain chicken, but do not pat it dry. Dip each chicken piece in the breadcrumb mixture, making sure it is coated well on both sides. Arrange chicken in single layer on prepared baking sheet, then spritz tops with olive oil



This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

cooking spray.

**5.** Bake on oven's middle shelf for 10 minutes. Turn chicken pieces over and bake an additional 5 minutes, or until just

cooked through. Let cool few minutes, then transfer to a platter. Serve with both dipping sauces.

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## Ingredients

- 2 garlic cloves, smashed
- 1 tsp salt
- 1/4 cup plus 2 tbsp hot sauce, divided
- 2 cups plus 6 tbsp buttermilk, divided
- 1 lb chicken tenders (or chicken breasts cut into 3-by-1-inch strips, 1/2-inch thick)
- 3/4 cup whole-wheat Italian seasoned breadcrumbs
- 1/4 cup panko breadcrumbs
- 1/4 cup low-fat mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup crumbled blue cheese
- 1/2 tsp lemon juice

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### Leapin' Libras: An astrological cabaret

Sounds intriguing and yes, that's what's in store with Zodiac Arrest, an evening of family entertainment that is part physical theatre and part contemporary circus, with horoscopes. The zodiac-themed event is a product of Firefly Theatre and Circus—think aerials, silks, dance, contortionists—think eye-popping fun! A shout-out to Jason Kodie, who provides live music on his bicycle-mounted keyboard. All the fun is at Westbury Theatre in the Arts Barns, nightly until Feb. 10. Ticket info at fringetheatre.ca.



### Star Wars Identities

Most of us know the Star Wars movies, and Edmontonians have been enjoying the latest incarnation of the franchise, Star Wars Identities, on for a few more weeks at the Telus World of Science. See Luke and Anakin Skywalker and other characters in this popular exhibition, featuring costumes, models and a chance to create your personalized Star Wars identity. To catch it before it's gone, see telusworldof-scienceedmonton.com.



### Love the Big Bang Theory?

We all know those loveable nerds and geeks, Sheldon and company—it's a laugh riot every week on TV. Well, here comes a live action version of that story at Jubilations Dinner Theatre, featuring brainiacs Sheldon, Leonard and the rest of the crew in a comedic song and dance romp called The Big Boom Theory. Food, drinks, coffee and dessert spread over a few entertaining hours—no wonder it's such a popular choice for adults and kids. The show runs until April 27, so walk, don't run, to West Edmonton Mall for your tickets. Call 780-484-2424 for reservations.



### Amour

The opera Les Contes D'Hoffman by Offenbach has a lot going for it: rich melodies, fantastic characters and seductive love scenes, set in a turn-of-the-century circus. This feast for eyes and ears is Edmonton Opera's second show of the season, running Friday, Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday at the Jubilee. Director Joel Ivany leads David Pomeroy as the poet Hoffman—plus the Edmonton Opera Chorus and the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra, in the dark and mysterious tale. Opera Talks is a great tutorial 45 minutes before curtain in the Kassa lobby. Tickets are at Edmontonopera.com or by phone at 780-429-1000.



### Hoop dreams

Even in winter, hockey isn't the only game in town. Off the ice, basketball rules and over on campus, the U of A Golden Bears are giving great value for your entertainment dollar. The action is fast-paced and competitive—see what I mean this weekend as our men's team hosts the Manitoba Bisons (go hometown!) Friday and Saturday at the Saville Community Sports Centre, 11610-65 Ave. And did I mention the cheap tickets? Only \$16 for adults and even less for students. Great family rates too. Hustle down the court, E-town. See bears.ualberta.ca.



### Heat up with the Blues

Here's a guaranteed way to heat you up, inside and out. Blues on Whyte in the Commercial Hotel in Old Strathcona is raising the temperature nightly with groovin' blues music—this spot is a mecca for blues lovers from across the continent—from the scruffy to the straight-laced and all sorts in between—all with a common love of the blues. Karen Lovely, who's here Monday Feb. 4 to Saturday Feb. 9, is a formidable performer who has been nominated as best contemporary blues female artist. You know she's gonna crank up the heat. See bluesonwhyte.ca.

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## Oilers' young guns take aim at Sharks

San Jose Sharks goalkeeper Antti Niemi, right, stops the backhand shot of Edmonton Oiler Taylor Hall on Thursday in San Jose, Calif. For the results of last night's game, visit [metronews.ca/sports](http://metronews.ca/sports). THEARON W. HENDERSON/GETTY IMAGES

# NHLers acting out after the lockout

**NHL.** Pent-up aggression, giving fans what they want and trying to keep a roster spot among reasons for increase in fisticuffs

### Wanna fight?

If you're an NHL player, you can probably find somebody to drop the gloves.

A lockout-delayed and shortened season has created a spike in fights around the league, just as it did the last time labour woes led to a 48-game season.

There were 58 fights through the first 87 games this year, following play on Tuesday night, an increase from 39 after the same number of games last season, according to STATS. During the 1994-95

### Quoted

"For me personally, nothing is staged. It's spontaneous. It's all about the eye contact. You kind of say 'Let's do it,' without saying a word."

Red Wings forward Jordin Tootoo

season, there were 83 fights over the first 87 games of that lockout-shortened slate, a jump from 58 during the same stretch the previous season.

"Obviously, you have a situation where the players are being thrown into the immediate intensity of a shortened season and that certainly may play a role," NHL deputy commissioner Bill Daly wrote in an email on Thursday.

"We monitor these things as well, and the number of fighting majors have decreased significantly and begun to normalize over the last week. I expect that will continue over

the balance of the season."

There were, in fact, fewer fighting penalties than games on Monday for the first time since the season started with 12 fights in 13 games. And on Wednesday, there were six fights in four games.

Nashville forward Richard Clune acknowledges he's fighting for his job. Clune has been trying to make it back in the NHL since playing in 14 games with the Los Angeles Kings three years ago. He was in three fights in his first five games.

Clune didn't play in Nashville's opener when star de-

### By the numbers

## 16

There were a season-high 16 fights in 10 games on Tuesday, with Red Wings forward Jordin Tootoo fighting two players in the first period against the Stars.

fenceman Shea Weber got into a rare fight with Columbus on Monday for the first time since the season started with this season. Clune, perhaps not coincidentally, was in the lineup for the next game and tried to make his presence felt right away by getting penalized for boarding in the opening minutes.

"I play hard and get in the other team's faces and sometimes it results in dropping the gloves," Clune said in a telephone interview before playing on the road against the Kings. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### CFL

## Eskimos stabilize QB situation with Reilly signing

The Edmonton Eskimos picked up quarterback Mike Reilly and a second-round pick in this year's Canadian draft (14th overall) in this year's Canadian draft to Edmonton on Thursday for the Eskimos' second-rounder (11th overall) in the 2013 Canadian draft and their second-round pick in 2014.

Reilly's departure was all but confirmed after the Lions re-signed Travis Lulay to a new contract in January. General manager Wally Buono said B.C.'s chances of re-signing Reilly went "pretty well out the window" after the club inked Lulay to his new deal.

The former B.C. back-up has made no secret of his desire to be a starter elsewhere.

"He was going to test the market, and if anybody got close to what he wanted, he was going to take (the offer)," said Buono.

The deal, he added, shows Edmonton GM Ed Hervey "knows what he wants and is willing to pay a price to get it."

Buono says the trade helps the Lions in the draft this year and strengthens the team next year. The Eskimos, meanwhile, have shored up their quarterback situation after Stephen Jyles, acquired from Toronto in the Ricky Ray trade, and veteran Kerry Joseph produced little in the way of results.

"Mike has the chance to be an elite quarterback in this league," Hervey said in a statement. "This is a step toward stabilizing our quarterback position."

The Lions also re-signed receiver Shawn Gore to a new three-year contract on Thursday.

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# Dancevic could play key role for Canada in Davis Cup

**International tennis.**  
Canada to face a top-ranked Spain team hampered by injuries

A year later, Frank Dancevic knows for certain he will play a key role for Canada in a Davis Cup tie.

The 28-year-old from Niagara Falls, Ont., will take the court for two important singles matches in this weekend's first-round series against Spain, a year after he was an after-thought in Canada's tie against France last February.

"I love playing (in the) Davis Cup," Dancevic said as the draw was announced Thursday at the UBC venue where the best-of-five series will be held. "I've been part of the team for 10 years. It's an awesome feeling to win for your country."

Milos Raonic will kick off Canada's bid for a spot in the Davis Cup World Group quarter-finals.

Raonic, ranked No. 15 on the ATP Tour, will face No. 51 Albert Ramos in the first singles match when Canada's tie with Spain begins Friday.

The hard-serving 22-year-old from Thornhill, Ont., will also face Marcel Granollers in the fourth match on Sunday.

Dancevic, meanwhile, will also face Granollers, Spain's top singles player for this event, on Friday, and Ramos in the final match Sunday.

Dancevic only played last year against France after Raonic was sidelined for his second singles match with a minor knee injury. But Canadian captain Martin Laurendeau is asking Dancevic to be a potentially decisive factor as Vancouver's Vasek Pospisil concentrates on doubles while recuperating from mononucleosis.

"Any time you play for your country, you feel pressure," said Dancevic. "You want to play well for your country and you want to perform out there."

"I feel like I want to play



From left to right, Canada's Frank Dancevic, of Niagara Falls, Ont., Vasek Pospisil, of Vernon, B.C., Milos Raonic, of Thornhill, Ont., and Daniel Nestor, of Toronto, Ont., attend the draw for the Davis Cup tennis tie against Spain in Vancouver, B.C., on Thursday. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

well. I don't know if it's pressure. But I just want to go out there and give it all I've got and perform the best I can."

Dancevic, who lost to France's Jo-Wilfried Tsonga last year in place of Raonic,

will try to re-live some of the Davis Cup magic he displayed in 2003, when he beat Brazil's Flavio Saretta in four sets in Calgary to return Canada to the World Group (top 16 countries) for the first time in a

decade.

"I believe that I belong in the top 100," said Dancevic, who is ranked 166th. "I'm confident that my game is there."

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## NHL

### Leafs one-up Capitals in Toronto

Nikolai Kulemin and Matt Frattin scored third-period goals to give the Toronto Maple Leafs their first home win of the season in a 3-2 comeback victory over the Washington Capitals on Thursday night.

Kulemin tied it at 2-2 at 7:40 of the third period, poking in a puck that squeezed through Michael Neuvirth's legs from a Michael Kostka shot from the point. As the Caps goalie tried in vain to squeeze his pads, Kulemin reached behind and nudged the puck in for his first of the year.

Frattin made it 3-2, capping off a nice passing play with Nazem Kadri at 9:53 of the third by tapping in the puck for his fourth goal — and sixth point — in four games.

The Leafs lived dangerously in the final minutes, with the Caps pressing.

James van Riemsdyk also scored for Toronto (4-3-0), which outshot Washington 40-22. The Leafs had chances to take control earlier, but lacked clinical finishing and failed to convert numerous power-play opportunities.

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## NHL

### Penguins' Vokoun shuts out Rangers

Tomas Vokoun stopped 28 shots for his 49th NHL shutout, and the Pittsburgh Penguins scored on the first shot of the first and third periods in a 3-0 victory over the New York Rangers on Thursday night.

Evgeni Malkin gave the Penguins the lead just 1:24 in, James Neal added a power-play goal 28 seconds into the third and Simon Despres netted his second NHL goal to give Pittsburgh (4-3) its second win in five games.

Malkin added an assist, as did captain Sidney Crosby, on Neal's goal.

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Tomas Vokoun GETTY IMAGES

## NHL

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

#### ATLANTIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
New Jersey	6	3	0	3	16	14	9
NY Islanders	7	4	2	1	27	23	9
Pittsburgh	7	4	3	0	19	18	8
NY Rangers	7	3	4	0	16	20	6
Philadelphia	7	2	5	0	14	20	4

#### NORTHEAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Ottawa	7	5	1	1	24	13	11
Boston	7	5	1	1	23	19	11
Montreal	6	4	2	0	18	15	8
Toronto	7	4	3	0	21	22	8
Buffalo	7	3	3	1	23	23	7

#### SOUTHEAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Tampa Bay	6	5	1	0	29	15	10
Winnipeg	7	3	3	1	21	24	7
Carolina	5	2	3	0	14	18	4
Florida	7	2	5	0	16	27	4
Washington	7	1	5	1	15	25	3

#### Thursday's results

Toronto 3 Washington 2  
Pittsburgh 3 NY Rangers 0  
NY Islanders 5 New Jersey 4 (OT)  
Buffalo 7 Boston 4  
St. Louis 4 Columbus 1  
Florida 6 Winnipeg 3  
Colorado 6 Calgary 3  
Nashville at Los Angeles  
Edmonton at San Jose

#### Wednesday's results

Ottawa 5 Montreal 1  
Minnesota 3 Chicago 2 (SO)  
Edmonton 2 Phoenix 1 (OT)  
Vancouver 3 Colorado 0

#### Friday's games — All Times Eastern

Philadelphia at Washington, 7 p.m.  
Ottawa at Carolina, 7 p.m.  
Winnipeg at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.  
St. Louis at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.  
Phoenix at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.  
Chicago at Vancouver, 10 p.m.  
Minnesota at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

#### Saturday's games

New Jersey at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.  
Buffalo at Montreal, 2 p.m.  
Edmonton at Colorado, 3 p.m.  
Carolina at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.  
NY Rangers at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.  
Boston at Toronto, 7 p.m.  
Detroit at Columbus, 7 p.m.  
Dallas at Phoenix, 8 p.m.  
Chicago at Calgary, 10 p.m.  
Los Angeles at Anaheim, 10 p.m.  
Nashville at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

#### CENTRAL DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Chicago	7	6	0	1	24	16	13
St. Louis	7	6	1	0	28	14	12
Detroit	6	3	2	1	15	17	7
Nashville	6	1	2	3	10	18	5
Columbus	8	2	5	1	14	26	5

#### NORTHWEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Minnesota	7	4	2	1	19	19	9
Edmonton	6	4	2	0	17	15	8
Vancouver	7	3	2	2	19	19	8
Colorado	7	3	4	0	16	19	6
Calgary	5	1	3	1	14	21	3

#### PACIFIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
San Jose	6	6	0	0	26	10	12
Anaheim	5	3	1	1	17	7	7
Los Angeles	5	2	2	1	11	14	5
Dallas	7	2	4	1	13	18	5
Phoenix	7	2	4	1	22	25	5

Note: A team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OL (other loss) column.

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Martin Flores	65
Hank Kuehne	65
Bill Haas	65
Justin Leonard	65
Brian Gay	65
Y.E. Yang	65

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Stephen Ames  
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## NFL

### SUPER BOWL XLVII

Sunday's game — All Times Eastern  
At New Orleans, La.  
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## NBA

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	29	13	.690	—
New York	28	15	.651	1 1/2
Chicago	28	17	.622	2 1/2
Indiana	27	19	.587	4
Brooklyn	27	19	.587	4
Atlanta	26	19	.578	4 1/2
Milwaukee	24	20	.545	6
Boston	22	23	.489	8 1/2
Philadelphia	19	26	.422	11 1/2
Detroit	17	29	.370	14
Toronto	16	30	.348	15
Orlando	14	31	.311	16 1/2
Cleveland	13	33	.283	18
Washington	11	33	.250	19
Charlotte	11	34	.244	19 1/2

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	37	11	.771	—
Oklahoma City	35	11	.761	1
L.A. Clippers	34	13	.723	2 1/2
Memphis	29	16	.644	6 1/2
Golden State	28	17	.622	7 1/2
Denver	29	18	.617	7 1/2
Utah	25	21	.543	11
Houston	25	23	.521	12
Portland	23	22	.511	12 1/2
L.A. Lakers	20	26	.435	16
Dallas	19	26	.422	16 1/2
Minnesota	17	25	.405	17
Sacramento	17	30	.362	19 1/2
Phoenix	16	30	.348	20
New Orleans	15	31	.326	21

Note: division leaders ranked in top three positions regardless of winning percentage.

#### Thursday's results

Oklahoma City 106 Memphis 89  
Dallas at Golden State  
Friday's games — All Times Eastern

L.A. Clippers at Toronto, 7 p.m.  
Miami at Indiana, 7 p.m.  
Sacramento at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.  
Milwaukee at New York, 7:30 p.m.  
Orlando at Boston, 7:30 p.m.  
Chicago at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.  
Cleveland at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.  
Washington at Memphis, 8 p.m.  
New Orleans at Denver, 8 p.m.  
Dallas at Phoenix, 9 p.m.  
Portland at Utah, 9 p.m.  
L.A. Lakers at Minnesota, 9:30 p.m.  
Saturday's games  
Chicago at Atlanta, 7 p.m.  
Sacramento at New York, 7:30 p.m.  
Oklahoma City at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.  
Charlotte at Houston, 8 p.m.  
New Orleans at Minnesota, 8 p.m.  
Washington at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.  
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Baltimore also is undefeated, with the Ravens winning their only appearance, in 2001.

Someone will have the Super Bowl bluffs for the first time after Sunday's title game in the Superdome.

The Ravens, who are 3 1/2-point underdogs, are on one of those runs reminiscent of recent NFL champions. Indeed, the New York Giants reached the Super Bowl a year ago in a similar manner, winning a wild-card game at home, then two playoffs on the road, including an overtime thriller.

The Giants got healthy down the stretch, something the Ravens have replicated, particularly on defence where star linebackers Ray Lewis and Terrell Suggs are giving vintage performances following injury-shortened seasons.

"That's what's been our road," Lewis said. "No matter who's been up, who's been down, who's been hurt, who's been injured. We found a way to pick each other up."

These Niners are built around a physical, stingy defence — that also has been the Ravens' persona for years, although not as much in 2012 as in Lewis' other 17 pro seasons. Linebacker Patrick Willis, who like Lewis wears No. 52 and is



San Francisco 49ers running back Frank Gore runs a drill during practice on Thursday in New Orleans. The 49ers are set to play the Baltimore Ravens in the Super Bowl on Sunday. MARK HUMPHREY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

a perennial All-Pro, is the anchor.

"As a kid, you grew up watching," Willis said. "Last year we were one game away. To be able to be here, is truly special."

To make it extra special, San Francisco's offence will need to outdo Baltimore's. The Ravens have scored 90 points in three games, and the Niners have 73 in two.

Baltimore's defence has made big plays against Andrew Luck, Peyton Manning and Tom Brady. Now it gets an entirely different type of quarterback, Colin Kaepernick. His combination of running skill, powerful arm and surprising cool for a second-

year pro makes him particularly dangerous against the Ravens. Baltimore does not have the fastest defence in the league.

Then again, the 49ers must deal with Joe Flacco, the only QB to win a post-season game in each of his first five seasons. Flacco also has six road playoff victories, a league record.

While the Ravens and 49ers play for each other, the Harbaugh brothers, John of the Ravens and Jim of the 49ers, will go against each other in the first Super Bowl featuring sibling head coaches. They've had fun with the topic this week, but it will be as serious as football can get on Sunday.

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## Road to the Super Bowl

- Baltimore's path to New Orleans led through New England, where the Ravens fell to the Patriots in last year's AFC title game. They outscored the Patriots 21-0 in the second half to earn their spot in the Super Bowl.
- San Francisco also came up one win short a year ago, losing to the Giants for the NFC championship. That defeat has driven the 49ers just as much as the Ravens' failure in 2011 lifted them.

## Franchise player?

### Expiring contract no worry for Flacco

Joe Flacco's expiring contract doesn't seem to concern anyone with the Baltimore Ravens, including the quarterback himself.

Flacco practically shrugged Thursday when asked about potentially being a free agent after the Super Bowl. The fifth-year pro and only quarterback to win a playoff game in each of his first five seasons could not reach a deal with the team before 2012 kicked off. He could be on the market in March, although the Ravens could franchise-tag him at about \$14.6 million US for next year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## 'Operation Red Zone'

### Officials nab phony merch

Investigators have confiscated more than \$13.6 million US worth of phony sports merchandise over the past five months and expect to seize more in New Orleans during Super Bowl week, a federal law-enforcement official said Thursday.

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement director John Morton said authorities also have shut down more than 300 websites selling counterfeit goods as part of an enforcement effort dubbed "Operation Red Zone."

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## Performance enhancers. No HGH test despite league, union agreement

Count Baltimore Ravens defensive end Arthur Jones among those NFL players who want the league and union to finally agree on a way to do blood testing for human-growth hormone.

"It would be fair to do blood testing," Jones said. "Hopefully they figure it out."

When the Ravens face the San Francisco 49ers in the Super Bowl on Sunday, two seasons will have come and gone without a single HGH test being administered, even though the league and the NFL Players Association paved the way for it in the 10-year collect-



Arthur Jones GETTY IMAGES

ive-bargaining agreement they signed in August 2011.

Since then, the sides have haggled over various elements, primarily the union demanding more information about the validity of a test used by Olympic sports and the MLB.

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# Forgotten QB Taylor ready for Super Sunday

## Super Bowl preview.

Ravens backup QB has thrown just 30 passes in the NFL

Tyrod Taylor is the forgotten quarterback at the Super Bowl.

Everyone knows the starters, of course, Baltimore's Joe Flacco and San Francisco's Colin Kaepernick.

They even know about Alex Smith, who started for the 49ers until he was sidelined with a concussion in November and Kaepernick stepped in.

And Taylor? His resume can be summed up on the top half of an index card: Two years, no starts and 30 passes — 25 of them in the Ravens' meaningless regular-season finale against Cincinnati last month.

That's because Flacco has started every game during the past five seasons and never has missed a down because of injury or ineffectiveness.

Still, Taylor knows he's only one play away from getting into the Super Bowl, and for that

## Wrinkle in Ravens attack?

The 49ers are preparing for Tyrod Taylor, too.

- While Flacco is a traditional pocket passer, Taylor is just as likely to scoot downfield as throw the ball.

- He ran for 65 yards in that game against the Bengals, and at Virginia Tech he set a school record for rushing yards by a quarterback (2,196).

reason he's practising hard this week as Sunday's championship game draws near.

"There are so many situations throughout the league where the next guy is called in, so you can't look at how many straight games Joe has played without being injured," Taylor said. "You never know what can happen at any second of the game. I have to be ready to take over if that happens."

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Baltimore Ravens backup quarterback Tyrod Taylor runs with the ball against the Cincinnati Bengals Dec. 30 in Cincinnati. ANDY LYONS/GETTY IMAGES

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## Horoscopes

## ♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

You will do your reputation, and maybe your bank balance too, a heap of good today by doing something that takes friends and family by surprise. People expect you to think and act in certain ways — so prove them wrong.

## ♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Whatever you do and however you do it, people will applaud you for a job well done. Both at home and at work you are leading a charmed life at the moment. Make the most of it. You know it won't last!

## ♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

What you dream of now will come true in the near future, so dream away to your heart's content. It may be that certain people are not taking you seriously but they will soon learn the error of their ways.

## ♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

You may be tempted to treat life as a bit of a joke over the next 24 hours, and most likely you are right to do so. The things that other people get worked up about are not worth the time or effort.

## ♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Anything is possible if you want it enough. If you really, truly desire something you will find a way to get it. Keep that thought in mind not just today but throughout the coming month. And act on it.

## ♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You won't lack for self-belief today but watch out you don't get overly confident and make a mess of a task you could usually do with your eyes closed. You know what comes before a fall, don't you? Pride.

## ♏ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Try to be a bit more cautious in your decisions today, especially if you are involved in a project that could cost you rather a lot if it goes wrong. Remember: There is no such thing as a sure thing.

## ♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

This looks like an excellent day for affairs of the heart. If there is someone you have been admiring from afar, now is the time to get up closer. Make contact and look for ways to spark a romance.

## ♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

No matter how daunting the task that faces you today you will make a good job of it. The most important step is the first one, so stop worrying that you are out of your depth and get cracking.

## ♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Don't push yourself too hard today. Jupiter, planet of excess, is now moving forwards again through the wellbeing area of your chart, so you may be tempted to do something rash. You'll regret it in the morning.

## ♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Your task for the day is to help others — not just friends and family but people you meet out in the world as well. The best way to help, as always, is to lead by example. No one does it better than you.

## ♓ Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

It's OK to have fun — in fact it's essential — but don't go overboard and forget that you still have chores to finish and duties to fulfill. The harder you work now, the happier your weekend will be.

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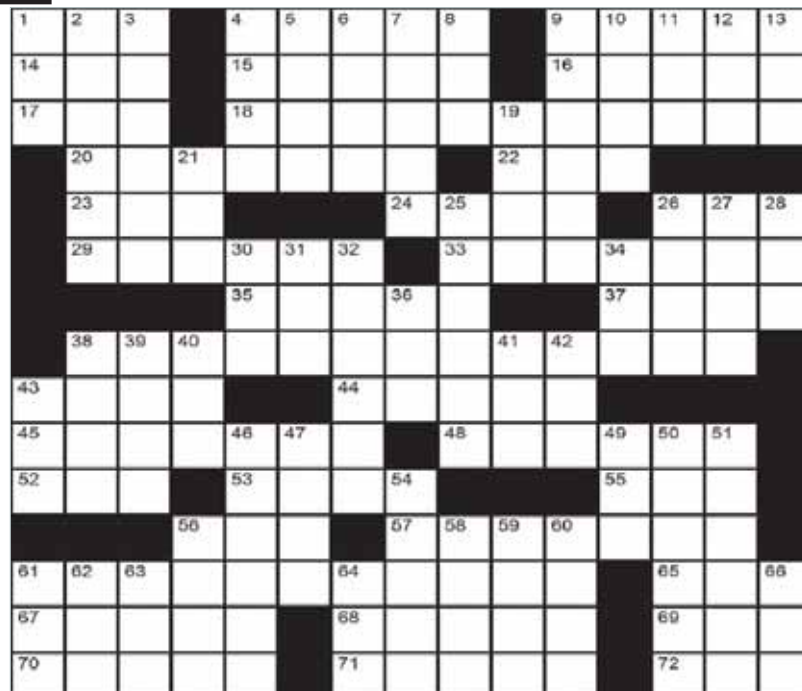
## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

## Across

1. On the 3rd of \_\_, 1959 - The Day the Music Died
4. "La \_\_" by Ritchie Valens
9. "Raining in My \_\_" by Buddy Holly
14. Card deck symbol
15. Distant
16. \_\_-Loompa
17. Fluffy scarf
18. The art of DJ-ing as music performance
20. Plotted
22. Acronym for time as yet unknown
23. The \_\_ (Sault Ste. Marie's nickname)
24. Wrapped garment
26. Soft & \_\_ (Antiperspirant brand)
29. Habituates to hardship [var. sp.]
33. Did this " \_\_"
35. .pdf files program, \_\_ Acrobat
37. Car trip stopovers
38. 1958 hit for The Big Bopper: 2 wds.
43. Trompe l'\_\_ (Visual illusion)
44. Heighten
45. Winnipeg intersection, \_\_ and Main
48. Some antelopes
52. The Waste Land poet's monogram
53. Born and \_\_
55. "Phooey!"
56. Commerce grad's letters
57. Gordon Lightfoot's birthplace in Ontario
61. Northwest Territories capital
65. Sob
67. Characteristic
68. Actress Anna
69. Supplement
70. Swiped card
71. Movie reviewers, e.g.
72. Serpent's sound

## Down

1. \_\_ Four (Beatles)
2. Nouvelle-\_\_ = Nova Scotia
3. Lighthouse



4. Diminish

5. Grad

6. Extra

7. Glues

8. Toward the ship's stern

9. The \_\_ = Bilbo Baggins

10. Orlando's Lake \_\_

11. Pierre's friend

12. Fast rotation meas.

13. Scottish hat

19. Bell town in a Longfellow poem

21. NBA's Rockets, on scoreboards

25. Antarctic penguin

26. Therefore: French

27. Celine's manager/hubby

28. Egos and \_\_

30. Sprinted

31. Summer hrs. indicator

32. Evening party

34. Ms. Carrere

36. "Yeck."

38. Prezzes

39. Contract

40. Supermodel Carol

41. Fashionable monogram

42. Ms. Michele of "Glee"

43. Select

46. First Canadian-born Prime Minister, John \_\_

47. 'Mc' add-on (Dr. Phil's last name)

49. Patriots org.

50. Frees from frost

51. Jets rivals in "West Side Story"

54. Teutonic thunder god

56. Old Rome's 1052

58. Rihanna's nickname

59. " \_\_ ain't broke...": 2 wds.

60. Fewer

61. Since Jan. 1st on a financial rpt.

62. Poetically before

63. Popular li'l dog

64. The Col.'s eatery

66. Qui's meaning

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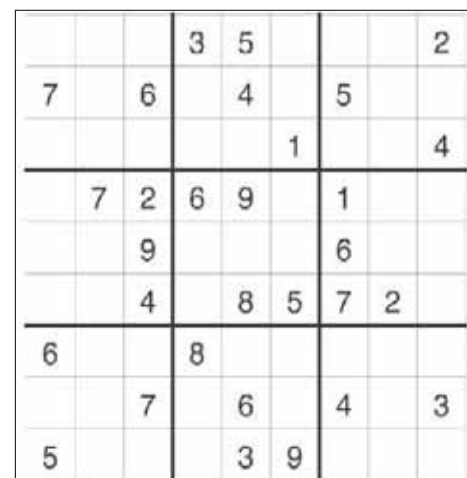
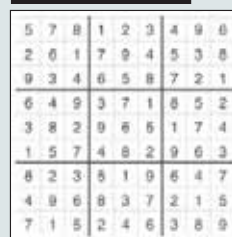


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## Yesterday's Sudoku



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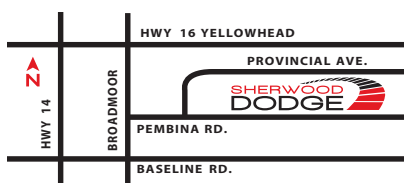


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